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## Space Launches at Record Level 2023 Projected to Outpace 2022

When the **National Defense Authorization Act** was signed into law on December 20th, 2019, the first new branch of the Armed Services in 73 years was created. It was called **Space Force**. Skeptics scoffed, saying there was no such need. The average citizen was a little surprised, as common public perception held that the U.S. wasn't par-

ticularly active in space missions anymore. Just three years later, it has become clear that that Space Force serves an essential function: operating what they see as U.S. "spaceports", akin to airports, with *multiple rockets launching daily*. These may be privately-owned tourism rockets, commercial rockets to launch satellites, or scientific research missions of various origins. The wisdom of creating **Space Force** was understanding **2 key things**:

1. The pace of privately-owned space companies was sharply escalating to missionreadiness in several projects.

2. The pace of foreign governments' escalation of plans to dominate space as a military strategy that affects United States National Security.

If these seem like overstatements, consider the data from **statistica.com**: The number of orbital space launches worldwide reached a milestone in 2021 with **132** launches, the highest number since the beginning of the Space Race in 1957.

**2022** went on to surpass 2021 with 186 total launches, **163** of them recorded as orbital launches, according to **aviationweek.com**, which reports that a record number of 78 launches were from the United States. This represents a sharp increase over the previous record-setting year, with 45 U.S. launches in 2021.

So what is the purpose of all these rockets? First of all, most of the launches were orbital



The United States Space Force is the space service branch of the U.S. Armed Forces, one of the eight U.S. uniformed services, and the world's only independent space force.

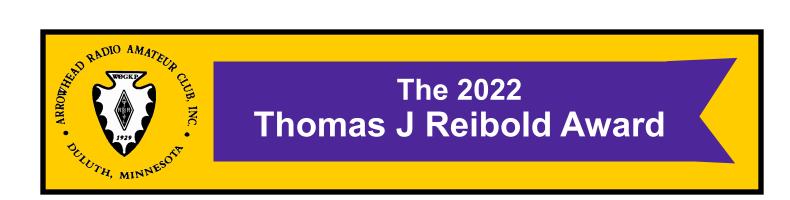
Founded: December 20, 2019

Motto: Semper Supra, "Always above" Headquarters: The Pentagon; Arlington County, Virginia, U.S. Chief of Space Operations: Gen B. Chance Saltzman Part of: United States Armed Forces; Department of the Air Force Size: 8,400 military personnel; 77 spacecraft Known Engagements: Global War on Terrorism; War in Afghanistan; 2020 Iranian missile strike on Al Asad Airbase

and some were sub-orbital. SpaceX dominated the orbital launch numbers by far, with 59 launches in 2022. In December alone, SpaceX launched 7 missions, and two of those were in the same day, December 16th at different launch sites. The missions vary in purpose from orbital tests, to commercial payload depoyment to space tourism. Since 2019 SpaceX has successfully launched several missions each year to complete

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is hereby awarded to

## **Dave Miller - WØNWO**





Congratulations Dave!





# **ARAC Board Meeting - December 6 2022**

## PRESIDENT



NØVRM Gene Ellefsen 371Ø Chambersburg Ave Duluth, MN 55811 218-39Ø-3272 Ispitech@mail.com

## **VICE PRESIDENT**



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### SECRETARY



## Melinda Nelson

**KFØGJW** 

TREASURER



Sam Frey

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## 2ND YEAR BOARD





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## **1ST YEAR BOARD**



**WØDIO** Denny Anderson

## **Board Members**

Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM, Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP, Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, Gary Minter – KD9ABS, Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW, Dave Davis – AA0AC, Doug Nelson - AA0AW

## **Board Advisors (Non-Board Members)**

Randy Wabik –KR0B Kim Waller - KE0NQS, Steve Waller - KE0NQT

**Guests:** Elmer Berg – KC0NGY, Del Minter – KE0CLI, Robin Davis, Sam Frey –KE0YTM

Meeting called to order by President Gene – N0VRM at 18:33 (6:33 pm)

### <u>Minutes:</u>

Minutes were sent via email. Motion to approve Doug Nelson – AA0AW, Seconded by Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM, motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report:

Subtotal Cash	\$7,486.88
Repeater:	\$3,867.26
Savings:	\$1,774.93
Checking:	\$1,844.69

Sub	ototal CD:	\$1,730.42
Summe	r CD:	\$0.00
Winter (	CD:	\$1,730.42

Assets Subtotal: \$9,217.30

Motion to approve by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Dave Davis – AA0AC, motion passed.

## **Christmas Party:**

The Christmas party will be held December 8<sup>th</sup> at 18:00 (6:00 pm). Will also have elections at this meeting. We have a couple meat and cheese trays coming. Getting the word out to as many as we can.

### Repeater:

Randy Wabik – KR0B, Got the controller. Spirit Valley Amateur Club donated the radio and cables. Will order the UPS today. Dave Pyrlik found two power amplifiers. Was able to get one of the amplifiers to work. Will be able to get Matohaw up and running soon.

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# **ARAC Board Meeting continued**

94- the receive sites have disappeared. Doug and Gene went up and looked at the 94 and found that there was some equipment that was loose, after touching them the receive sites came back up and were working.

### **Bell Ringing:**

Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to dress up and sing carols. Just have fun. There is a sign-up sheet. If you are interested, please let Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM know. **Testing:** 

We have had a couple of testing the last few weeks. Will have a test session on January 10th for the Technician Class. There have been some upgrades in the VE system, but it does not affect anyone that is wanting to upgrade. The House of Refuge has been very accommodating in letting the club use the facilities for testing. As always if you are looking to test or upgrade, or know of anyone that is interested in testing please contact Doug Nelson at AA0AW@arrl.net

### New Business:

Winter Field Day - last Saturday in January 13:00 (1:00 pm) to 13:00 (1:00 pm Sunday) We have picked up some new net control operators for Sunday nets. Thank you to those who have stepped up to help with this.

Sky-warn recognition day - 1st time we have been back in the weather station since 2019. A lot of work needs to get done to get back up and running in the building.
Motion to make \$100.00 donation to The House of Refuge by Bruce Carlson - KN0NUL, seconded by Gene Ellefson - N0VRM, motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, motion passed at 19:11 (7:11 pm)





## ARAC Club Meeting Minutes

## December 8, 2022

### Present:

President: Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM Vice President: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Treasurer/Membership: Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL Secretary: Melinda Nelson - KF0GJW First Year Board: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Second Year Board: Dave Davis - AA0AC Third Year Board: Gary Minter – KD9ABS Special Events: Open/Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM (acting) Parliamentarian: Grant Forsyth - KC0WUP Repeater: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Testing: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Repeater: Randy Wabik - KR0B Property/Picnic: Scott Ahlgren – N0VYU HamFest/Education: Bob Schulz - KC0NFB Newsletter/Historian: Kim Waller - KE0NQS Newsletter/Historian: Steve Waller - KE0NQT

### Absent: Chaplin:

Chaplin: Web Site: Thomas Dorr – KE0RHA

Meeting called to order at 18:05 (6:05 PM) by President Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM. Fifty-four (54) members in attendance.

### Thomas J Reibold Award W9IBM Memorial Award:

This award is given to someone who has supported the Club as well as promote the hobby of Amateur Radio. This year's recipient has been very active in the ARAC Club, is the Emergency Coordinator in Douglas County RACES, Lake County RACES, ASRS (Arrowhead Sky-warn Response) team, WLSAR (Western Lake Superior Amateur Responders) board, health and welfare communications for various local races, Net Control Operator for South St. Louis County Net, as well as the Douglas County Net, taken time when he could to assist with various drills and meeting. The award this year is presented to Dave Miller – W0NWO. Congratulations Dave – W0NWO.

### Minutes:

Minutes are posted on the website and in the newsletter. Motion to approve by Jeff Nast – KC0KMS

### Treasurer's Report:

<u>Checking: \$1,844.69</u> Savings:\$1,774.93 Repeater: \$3,867.26 **Subtotal Cash \$7,486.88** 

Winter CD: \$1,730.42 Summer CD:\$0.00 Subtotal CD: \$1,730.42 Assets Subtotal: \$9,217.30

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ARAC Club Meeting Minutes, continued

Motion to accept as presented by Grant Forsyth – KC0WUP, seconded by Robin Davis, motion passed.

Question – Are we able to move those CD's. Answer – You can always take the money and run. The money will automatically roll over on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Motion made by Grant Forsyth – KC0WUP to keep the Winter CD as is, seconded by Jeffery Maker – AD0TH, motion passed.

### **Election of Officers:**

White ballot for the following offices:

President: Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM Vice President: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Treasurer/Membership: Sam Frey – KE0YTM Secretary: Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW Second Year Board: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Third Year Board: Dave Davis – AA0AC

Motion for white ballot on the above officers made by Bob Schulz – KC0NFB, seconded by Jeff Nast – KC0MKS, motion passed.

Election for First Year Board Member: Dennis Anderson – W0DIO, Jon Nelson – N0UOZ, and Gary Minter - KD9ABS. Dennis Anderson won the election for the new year.

### **Repeater:**

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### Testing:

Doug Nelson – AA0AW there will be a testing session January 10<sup>th</sup>. If anyone needs testing contact Doug Nelson at <u>AA0AW@ARRL.net</u> and they will test individually. **Do not forget to get your FRN number prior to testing.** You can go to FCC.gov/uls and register. You will also need an email address going forward.

### Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

We will be doing bell ringing on December 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 20:00 (8:00pm) at the Burning Tree Plaza Super One Foods. There is a sing-up sheet. If you are planning on ringing bells, please have fun, dress up in holiday spirt. If you are interested, please contact Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM.

Door Prize was won by Jean Adams – KB9KQS

Motion to adjourn by Jeff Nast – KC0MKS, seconded by Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, motion passed at 18:40 (6:40 PM). Christmas Party follows.





## HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE !!

I hope you all had a great Holiday Season. It is that time of year for Club Dues to be paid. If you can't make the monthly meeting you can send them in to the Club Post Office Box:

## ARAC

P.O. Box 7164 Duluth, MN 55807-7164

Coming up on the last weekend in January is Winter Field Day 2023, which is held 1:00 PM Saturday Jan. 28 to 1:00 PM Sunday Jan. 29.

In the past this event was hosted by Joe Meese WØLWU (WØLong Winter Underwear). Joe will not be able to host it this year, so Dave Davis AAØAC volunteered to host it from his home in Cloquet.

This is a fun event that is gaining popularity every year. We hope a lot of you newer Hams will come out as this is a good learning experience to operate an HF station -or just observe and feel free to ask questions, as we are there to help you. There is good fellowship , fun radio operation and good food. More information upcoming as we get closer to Winter Field Day. If you would like to learn more regarding what Winter Field Day is about, Google "Winter Field Day Association" for additional info.

### Gene Ellefsen NØVRM



# LOOKING for an Amateur Radio License TESTING SESSION?

Schedule your own Testing Session TODAY!

## Contact Doug Nelson-AA0AW at aa0aw@arrl.net or 218-391-5874

All Exam Candidates are REQUIRED to have an FCC Registration Number (FRN) before exam day, which will require your email address.

Not Currently Licensed? For New License Candidate FRN registration: go to www.fcc.gov/new-users-guide-getting-started-universal-licensing-system-uls

Upgrading to General or Expert Class & not sure you have an FRN number? go to https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp

Upgrade Candidates: Please bring a copy of your current license to the exam session.



## Western Lake Superior Amateur Responders

A new nonprofit called the **Western Lake Superior Amateur Responders** was set up in order to assist with financing the maintenance of existing infrastructure and to also assist with creating new infrastructure. **WLSAR** can donate to other organizations in the western Lake Superior area. Examples are repeaters, packet nodes, AX.25 packet nodes and BBS's.

The group's callsign is **WØLSA** and they are a 501 (C) (3) public charity. Donations to **WLSAR** are tax-deductible and they are also a registered charitable organization with **Smile.Amazon.com**, so you can select them as a donation recipient when you shop at Amazon Smile on your browser or app. Same prices as regular Amazon, but Smile is the nonprofit arm of Amazon that gives back a portion of your purchases to registered charities. If you'd like to select **WLSAR** as your Smile charity, go to **Smile.Amazon.com** to sign up.

WLSAR is also working to create a website, so stay tuned for updates in future editions of *The Re-lay* for launch announcements. For more information about WLSAR, please contact Chair Doug Nelson AAØAW at aa0aw@chartermi.net



Western Lake Superior Amateur Responders - Board of Directors Doug Nelson AAØAW - Chairperson, Dave Miller WØNWO - Treasurer, Jeff Nast KCØMKS - Secretary, Ray Barnes KEØZN - Board Member, John Cavanaugh KCØAFE - Board Member/Trustee.



# **CW** Abbreviations

AR End of Message	AS Pse QRX	BK Back to You	SK End of Contact
TU Thank You	PSE Please	K Invite to Transmit	
QST Calling all Amateurs	QRL Are You Buzy	? QRU Have anything for	r me
QRV Are You Ready?	QRX Standby	QRS Transit Slower	
A M B N C O D P E . Q F R G S  H T I U V K	Y Z 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Use Anterior State of the Report and Order is published in the Report and noncert Art State Stat	Ansmitter power necessary to carry out the this transmitter power exceeding 1.5 kW PEP. 40 Meters (7 MHz) 7.000 7.075 7.100 TrU 1.3 and FCC region 2 we 130° west or below 20° muth a this d	2,200 and 630 Meters to be announced 10 Meters (28 M 7.300 MHz 28.000 28.300	29.700 MHz CW operation is permitted throughout all amattur bands. N,T (200 W) Except for 144.0-144.1 and 219-220 MHz. Test transmissions are authorized above 50.1 MHz.
2,200 Meters (135 kHz) EA.G 135.7 kHz 1 W EIRP maximum 137.8 kHz 630 Meters (472 kHz)	7.025 7.125 See Sections 97.305(c), 97.307(f)(11) an These exemptions do not apply to station continental US. 30 Meters (10.1 MHz Avoid interference to fixed services outs	s in the 144.1 2 Meters (144 MH	E,A,G,T 54.0 MHz = phone and image = CW only
E,A,G	200 Watta PEP	E,A,G 1.25 Meters (222 M	
472 kHz 479 kHz 5 W EIRP maximum, except in Alaska within 496 miles of Ruseia where the power limit is 1 W EIRP. 160 Meters (1.8 MHz) Avoid interference to radiolocation operations from 1.900 to 2.000 MHz E,A,G	Interes	10.150 MHz 219.0 220.0 14.350 MHz E A G G 42.00 MHz 222.0 *Geographical and power restrictions bands above 420 MHz. See The APR for information about your area.	L Operating Monual See AFHLWeb at www.arrLorg for detailed band plans.
1.800 1.900 2.000 MH 80 Meters (3.5 MHz) 3.500 3.600 3.700 4.000 MHz	17 Meters (18 MHz)	70 cm (420 MHz)	E.A.G.T ARRL 450.0 MHz We're At Your Service
E A G	18.068 18.110	E,A,G 18.168 MHz 33 cm (902 MHz)	ARRI Headquarters:
3.525 3.600 3.800 (200 W)	15 Meters (21 MHz) 21,000 21,200	902.0 21.450 MHz 1240 MHz	928.0 MHz Publication Orders: www.ant.org/shop Toll-Free 1-888-277-5289 (860-594-0355) email: orders@ant.org
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USB 5330.5 5346.5 5357.0 5371.5 5403.5 kHz General, Advanced, and Amateur Extra licensees may operate on these five channels on a secondary basis with a maximum effective radiated power (ERP) of 100 W PEP	21.025 21.200	(200 W) 1270 All licensees except Novices are au on the following frequencies: 2300-2310 MHz 10.0-10.5 GHz 2390-2450 MHz 24.0-24.25 GH	thorized all modes Cetting Started in Analitair Rasio: Toll-Free 1-800-326-3942 (860-594-0355) ‡ 122-25-123.0 GHz = 134-141 GHz
relative to a half-wave dipole. Permitted operating modes include upper sideband voice (USB), CW, RTTY, PSK31 an other digital modes such as PACTOR III. Only one signal a	d 24.890 24.930	E,A,G 3300-3500 MHz 41:0-47.2 GHz 5650-5925 MHz 76.0-81.0 GHz 24.990 MHz I No pulse emissions	241-250 GHz Exams: 560-594-0300 email veogant org

maximum energies ratalized power (ENP/) or 100 W PEP relative to a half-wave dipole. Permitted operating modes include upper sideband voice (USB), CW, RTTY, PSK31 and other digital modes such as PACTOR III. Only one signal at a time is permitted on any channel. 24.890

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24.990 MHz

24.930



Have a favorite HF/6m/2m/1.25m/7Øcm net that you check into or listen in on? Also, please send corrections and we will add it to the list below - Kim KEØNQS at my email KEØNQS.mn@gmail.com.

- Northland Weather Group Net: Mondays 2ØØØ on the ARAC repeater (146.940 MHz with a tone of 103.5 and standard offset).
- Minnesota D-Star Net: Sundays at 19:3Ø on Reflector 53A
- Minnesota Section Net 12ØØ and 173Ø on 3.86Ø [Net Manager: NØYR] http://www.mn-section.org/dept\_stm.html
- The non-non-net: Evenings 2000 144.200 USB except for Sunday evenings.
- Badger WX Net: Ø5ØØ-Ø715 on 3.985. Give 24 hour high/low/current temperature, precipitation and snowfall.
- PICONET: 3.925 from Ø9ØØ-11ØØ CT Mon-Sat and 16ØØ-17ØØ CT Mon-Fri. Info at: http://www.piconet3925.com
- Michigan Upper Peninsula Net: 16ØØ (CST) on 3.921 MHz Sun-Sat and 12ØØ Sun. Info: http://www.michupnet.com
- Great Lakes Marine/Maritime Mobile Net: Morning Ø7:3Ø 3.932; Ø8:15 7.261 MHz and evening 18:3Ø 3.173Ø927; 19:15 7.268 MHz. Weekend extra net: 1Ø:ØØ 7.261/7.268 MHz. All CST, LSB and +/- QRM. See: http://www.sailblogs.com/member/glmmnet/
- MIDCARS: Ø7:3Ø-13:ØØ 7.258 MHz. See: http://www.midcars.net
- Iowa snowbird net on 14.257MHz, M-W-F at 1Ø:ØØ am Local Time. This is an open net.
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL) on 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Maritime Mobile Service Network: Daily at 1100-2100 Central on 14.300. http://mmsn.org and http://www.14300.net
- RV Radio Network: Every day at 19ØØ Central on 7.265 MHz. Web site: http://www.rvradionetwork.com
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Wisconsin Sideband Net: Daily @ 5:15 PM 3985 [or 3982.5] KHz LSB
- Hobby Helpers Net Tuesday @ 8 PM 28.33Ø MHz USB (Isanti MN) LSB [Net Manager: WOØA].
- Northstar Trader Net: 3.9Ø8 +/- at Ø83Ø CST Sundays
- WARFA: 3.9Ø8 +/- Sun/Tue/Thu nights at 22ØØ CST, http://warfa.org/
- Youth Net: 14.32Ø-1433Ø Sundays 18ØØ-19ØØ UTC, Net Control: AC8PI
- YACHT: Saturdays 19ØØ CST on EchoLink #481872, http://yachthams.webstarts.com
- Northwestern Ontario ARES Net: Evenings at 2Ø:15 (Central) on +/- 3.75ØMhz
- The Iron Range Net: Saturdays at Ø8ØØ Central time on or near 3.919 Mhz. Look them up on Facebook!
- FORX Net: Mondays at 19ØØ Central at 3.941 Mhz +/- QRM. WAØJXT Grand Forks, North Dakota
- HF CW: Fridays Ø8:ØØ CST, 7.112 MHz. Informal slow speed CW Net. W8IRT NCS. Email: w8irt@aol.com
- Minnesota ARES Digital Net: Thursdays at 2ØØØ CST, 3.5835 MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: Olivia 8/5ØØ.
- SARA Digital Net: Sundays at 19ØØ Local, 3.582.15Ø MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: BPSK31/BPSK63
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL): 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Broadcaster Net: 7.231 or 3.855 M/W/F @ 15ØØ UTC. 14.255 M-F @ 213Ø UTC. http://www.cbsretirees.com/ham.htm
- Old Military Radio Net: 7.268 +/- nightly at Ø2ØØz. Other times/Frequencies too. See: http://www.mrca.ar88.net/
- Rag Chew Crew/Tailgaters/Freewheelers Nets: 3.916 +/- nightly at 19ØØ CST, http://www.tailgatersnet.com
- North South Net: 7.214.6 +/- at Ø7ØØ CST, Monday-Saturday

## <sup>10</sup> ARAC Official Website http://www.thearac.org



## DULUTH AREA REPEATERS

### ARAC System WØGKP

Frequency	Offset	Tone	Location
146.940	minus	103.5	Duluth
146.940	minus	107.2	Lakeside (recv)
146.940	minus	151.4	Two Harbors (recv)
146.940	minus	100.0	Gary-New Duluth (recv)
146.940	minus	110.9	Cloquet (recv)
147.000	minus	103.5	Mahtowa
444.100	plus	103.5	Duluth UHF Link

#### N9MMU/N9QWH System (WI)

145.310	minus	110.9	Duluth
145.490	minus	110.9	Solon Springs
147.255	plus	110.9	Hayward
145.110	minus	110.9	Rice Lake
147.345	minus	136.5	Holcombe
145.230	minus	110.9	Eau Claire

### WECOMM – WI Statewide Linked System WE9COM

147.075	plus	110.9	Meteor Hill
LSAC Sy	<b>/stem #1</b>		(closest repeater to Duluth)
147.330 147.230 147.270 147.270 145.410 145.150 145.150 145.150 146.700 443.850 147.165 146.640 443.500 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360	plus plus plus plus minus plus minus 5.00 plus minus 5.00 plus plus plus 5.00 plus plus simplex	151.4 103.5 114.8 103.5 114.8 114.8 114.8 103.5 103.5 103.5 103.5 100.9 151.4 141.3 103.5 162.2 114.8 110.9 114.8 203.5 146.2 146.2	Proctor Duluth (recv for Proctor) Two Harbors Wales Silver Bay Finland Isabella Washburn, WI Bayfield, WI Bayfield, WI Hurley, WI Ely Gilbert Virginia Cook Coleraine Brainerd Tamarack Aitkin Giese Hinckley
444.575	5.00	146.2	Hinckley
443.325	5.00	146.2	Isanti

#### NARC System NAØRC

147.135	minus	1Ø3.5	Knife River
145.45Ø	minus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	114.8	Knife River - Park Point (rcv)

#### **Stand Alone Repeaters**

145.21Ø	minus	11Ø.9	Clam Lake, WI	
146.88Ø	minus	123.Ø	Grand Rapids. MN	
146.91Ø	minus	146.2	Duxbury, MN	

#### Fusion

Fusion (Analog has tone and C4FM digital with no tone)

147.15Ø	plus	151.4	NTØB Gilbert, MN Fusion Repeater	
145.17Ø	minus	11Ø.9	WA9KLM Superior – Douglas County	
RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater (Digital only) Fusion Room 28373				

443.1ØØ 5.ØØ1Ø3.5 KBØYHX Cloquet - Carlton County RACES/ **ARES Fusion Repeater** 

#### **Fusion** continued

444.3ØØ 5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494

444.3ØØ 5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494

444.400 5.00 103.5 NAØRC Knife River, MN - Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

444.500 5.00 103.5 NØLCR Two Harbors, MN-Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

444.600 5.00 103.5 NØLCR Silver Bay, MN – Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

#### **D** Star

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147.375	plus	NØEO	D Star
442.200	plus	NØEO	D Star

Revised by KCØWDQ on 4/29/2022 for The ARAC Relay

ST. Louis County Department of Emergency Services Net Control Roster						
N9DMG	Scott Swanson	NØVRM	Gene Ellefsen			
AAØAW WØNWO	Doug Nelson Dave Miller	KCØWDQ WØDIO	Paul Dallavia Dennis Anderson			
KØDSL	Diane Saunders	AAØME	Randy Johnson			
	Sunday Nights at 21ØØ (See Calendar for ne					
	Ten Meter SSB Ne	t Control R	oster			
	ØAW Doug Nelson					
	JØW Gary Hanson ØDIO Dennis Anderson					
	OME Randy Johnson	KØDSL Dian	e Saunders			
	Sunday Nights at 2000	ð on 28.45Ø Mi	Hz USB			
	Ten Meter CW Ne	t Control Ro	oster			
AA	ØAW Doug Nelson					
	Sunday Nights at 19	13Ø on 28.125	MHz			
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	Monday Nights at 2000	A on the ARAC	Suctom			

Monday Nights at 2000 on the ARAC System

**Douglas County Net** Tuesday Nights at 2000 on 145.490 (N9QWH System)

**Central Carlton County Net** Tuesday Nights at 2Ø3Ø on the ARAC System

Lake County RACES/ARES Net 2nd & 4th Wednesday Nights at 19ØØ on the LSAC 1 System



### El-mer / ɛl-mər/ [el-mer]

1. a male given name: from Old English words meaning "noble" and "famous." 2. an adhesive used to bond like or unlike materials

3. An experienced ham radio operator who mentors new and prospective hams.

е	Call Sign	Expertise
last	KCØMKS	APRS, EchoLink, WinLink,
		Fusion, Contesting
Schulz	KCØNFB	Contesting
nderson	NØJWA	QsoNet
Nelson	AAØAW	HF, VHF/UHF, Contesting,
		Packet, APRS, Morse Code,
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## Next Club Meeting: Thursday, January 12th, 2023 - 7 pm at the Coppertop Church!

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**Reminder:** The Contest Corral monthly listing of contests can be found in each issue of QST. ARRL sponsored contests can be found in Contest Corral, highlighted, or on the ARRL's web site at arrl.org.

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and expand the **Starlink** satellite internet access system operated by SpaceX that currently offers coverage to 45 countries, including the U.S., with coverage for residential, business, RV, maritime and aviation customers. Starlink plans significant expansion of coverage in 2023, so if it is not available in your area yet, by the end of the year it likely will be. Starlink also has plans for a global mobile phone service sometime in the next couple of years. This translates to more SpaceX rocket launches in 2023 specifically for Starlink missions.

Here's quick look at mission purposes for rocket launches around the world last year:

### 2022 Launch Missions Overview

-Launching satellite payload into orbit for various commercial entities

-Government Launches to deploy space station modules: For example, China finished its Tiangong space station, with two launches (July & October) of final modules, then launched a crewed capsule to dock at Tiangong in November 2022.

-Government launches to deploy or maintain state-owned satellites

-Lunar exploration: For example, NASA's Artemis I mission on November 16th launched CubeSats and the lunar space vehicle Orion

-Launch of a Multi-purpose orbital space capsule: in May 2022, a six day orbital test mission of Boeing's new Starliner. The capsule will be able to accommodate commercial passengers for space tourism and also plans to transport professional astronauts to ISS under contract with NASA

-Sub-orbital space vehicle or satellite testing

-Sub-orbital astronomical observation & imaging

- -Sub-orbital microgravity research
- -Sub-orbital ionospheric research



NASA's Space Launch System rocket carrying the Orion spacecraft launches on the Artemis I flight test, Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022, from Launch Complex 39B at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. *Photo Credit: NASA/Bill Ingalls* 

### 2022 Orbital Launch Stats by Country

78 - The United States of America

- **61 -** China
- 22 Russia
  - 9 New Zealand/USA
  - 5 Europe
  - 4 India
  - 1 Japan
  - 1 Iran
  - 1 North Korea

Some space stat sites say that twenty-three launches in 2022 were sub-orbital, so they are not reflected in the above chart.

Wow. There are so many really cool facts about the 2022 rocket launches if you're interested in diving in deeper. We are resisting the urge to do so in this article as we'd never have the time and space to do them justice! We will, however turn our attention to 2023. Stephen Clark of **Spaceflight.com** interviewed the Space Force Commander of the 1st Range Operations Squadron recently. The Squadron provides range safety support for launches from the Eastern Range at **Cape Canaveral Space Force Station**. Here's a portion of what **Lieutenant Colonel Colin Mims** said:

"We expect to have about 87 launches from the Cape in calendar year 2023. I think it just shows the pace at which the commercial demand is growing... it's our geography here, being off of the coast, that we can launch into a polar orbit or an equatorial orbit, that's very advantageous. And our ability to rapidly turn the pads and schedule launches quickly, that shows our ability to provide services to these launch service providers."

Author Stephen Clarks says "The U.S. Space Force runs the Eastern Range, which oversees public safety for launches out of Florida's Space Coast. Space Launch Delta 45, formerly the 45th Space Wing, has upgraded infrastructure, streamlined operations, and encouraged rocket companies to switch to autonomous flight safety systems to help shorten the time needed between launches. There were 16 space launches from the Eastern Range in 2019. The launch rate in 2022 more than tripled that number." In addition, Clark writes about the change in protocols for launch site assignments.

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"Launches into polar orbit used to be the near-exclusive domain of **Vandenberg Space Force Base in California**," explains Clark, "but the Eastern Range approved a SpaceX request to begin launching on a southern corridor from Cape Canaveral in 2020, the first polar orbit mission from Florida since 1969.

"On August 4, 2022 the Eastern Range supported two launches by United Launch Alliance's Atlas 5 rocket and SpaceX's Falcon 9 *just 12 hours and 39 minutes apart*, the shortest duration between two space launches from the Space Coast since 1967. On December 16, the military team that runs the range was ready to accommodate two launches by SpaceX Falcon 9 rockets from different pads *just 33 minutes apart*. But SpaceX ended up delaying one of the missions to give priority to the other.

"The demand for launch services is increasing in the United States" says Clark. "SpaceX alone aims to launch as many as 100 times this year, including flights out of Florida, California, and test flights of the Starship mega-rocket from South Texas. SpaceX hasn't disclosed how many of those launches it will base out of Cape Canaveral, but the majority of the missions on the company's 2023 manifest are expected to fly from Florida's Space Coast."

And quoting Jason King, Commander of the 45th Weather Squadron at Patrick Space Force Base and Cape Canaveral Space Force Station:

"Three years ago ... we would surge for every launch. It was a major ordeal. We've since then changed the mindset to where we're operating more like an airport now. We call it a **Spaceport**. So we don't want to full-on surge for every launch attempt, and we want to change the mindset into where it's pretty much normal operations.



**December 29 2022 SpaceX** closes out their Launch Manifest for the year by launching the ISI Eros C-3 from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California. Screenshot courtesy SpaceX

"We've just begun to see the increase," King continues. "We estimate in the next probably two to three years we'll have 100 launches here on the Eastern Range. But commercial launch service providers and commercial satellites are being launched at the quickest rate we've ever seen. So we just anticipate the launch rate to continue to increase."

2023 looks like it will be another record pace of space launches. Clark compiled a preliminary list of planned launches for this year in the U.S. alone, with more detail to emerge on these in the coming

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months. Here's the 2023 launch list so far, with much more specifics available for January:

### January 3: SpaceX Mission "Transporter 6" at Cape Canaveral

Falcon 9 rocket launch with 114 small satellites and micro-payloads into a polar orbit for customers around the world. Eight minutes after liftoff, Falcon 9's first stage booster returns to Landing Zone 1 at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station.

January 8: SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket launch to deploy 40 internet satellites for OneWeb

**January 12: SpaceX** Falcon Heavy rocket is scheduled to launch from Kennedy Space Center. The Falcon Heavy consists of putting together three Falcon 9 rocket cores. This will enable deployment of 2 satellites into a high-altitude geosynchronous orbit for Space Force.

January 18: SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket launch to deploy GPS navigation satellite for the Space Force

**January Continued:** SpaceX plans launches for more of Starlink internet satellites and the Spanish-owned Amazonas Nexus communications satellite before the end of the month, with an estimated 6 or 7 missions in January launched from Florida alone. SpaceX hopes to reach 100 launches in 2023. These will include several crew launches for NASA, Axiom Space, and the all-private Polaris Dawn mission with the first commercial spacewalk in Earth orbit.

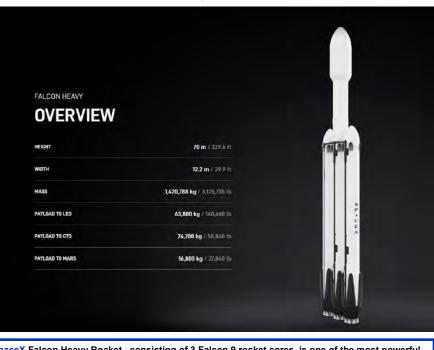
Two new commercial launch companies will be at Cape Canaveral this year: United Launch Alliance and Relativity Space.

**United Launch Alliance's** new medium-to -heavy lift Vulcan rocket (replacing its Atlas 5 and Delta 4 rocket groups) will launch for the first time in 2023.

The first Vulcan launch will carry **Astrobot**ic's commercial moon lander. This Vulcan mission will also have two test platforms for **Amazon's** planned **Kuiper** satellite internet network.

Another Vulcan launch is planned sometime later this year, deploying **Sierra Space's** first **Dream Chaser** cargo freighter for the International Space Station.

California-based **Relativity Space** is also nearing its first orbital launch attempt with its **Terran 1 rocket**, which was rolled to Launch Complex 16 at Cape Canaveral in December to prepare for final fueling tests and engine test-firings. The Terran 1 was



SpaceX Falcon Heavy Rocket , consisting of 3 Falcon 9 rocket cores, is one of the most powerful rockets. Falcon Heavy can lift almost 64 metric tons (141,000 lbs) into orbit. *Screenshot: SpaceX* 

designed to deliver small to medium-size payloads to space, with a lift capability of nearly a ton to a polar sun-synchronous orbit.

United Launch Alliance, which was founded by Boeing Company & Lockheed Martin Corporation in 2006, plans five flights with its Atlas 5 rocket this year from Cape Canaveral. The Atlas 5 missions will include the launch of astronauts on Boeing Starliner crew capsule. The Atlas 5 rocket will share the same launch pad with the Vulcan rocket. ULA also plans one launch of a Delta 4-Heavy rocket for the National Reconnaissance Office.

OK. So that's just a glimpse of what's going on in 2023 space launch plans in the United States. There are many other projects (especially watch SpaceX, Blue Origin and United Launch Alliance) which are in the final stages of development or testing that are likely to announce launches in 2024, and maybe even squeak a couple of surprise launches in the fourth quarter of this year!

Let us know if you have photos or comments on what's currently happening in space technology. Whether launch-ready missions or projects in current design and development, we'd love to hear your thoughts. Just email us at **ke0nqs.mn@gmail.com** and we'll publish your content in an upcoming issue of *The Relay*.



+ AGB New Year Snowball Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 1
+ SARTG New Year RTTY Contest	0800Z-1100Z, Jan 1
+ AGCW Happy New Year Contest	0900Z-1200Z, Jan 1
+ ACCW/VHE/UHE Contact	1400Z-1700Z, Jan 1 (144) and
+ AGCW VHF/UHF Contest	1700Z-1800Z, Jan 1 (432)
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 2
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 2
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Jan 2
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 2
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Jan 3
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0200Z-0400Z, Jan 3
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 3
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 4
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 4
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Jan 4
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 4
<u>+ Mini-Test 40</u>	1700Z-1759Z, Jan 4
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jan 4
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Jan 4
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 4
+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 4
	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 5 and
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Jan 6
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 5
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jan 5
	1800Z-1900Z, Jan 5 (CW) and
	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 5 (SSB) and
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 5 (FM) and
	2100Z-2200Z, Jan 5 (Dig)

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+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Jan 5
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jan 6
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 6
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 6
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 6
+ PODXS 070 Club PSKFest	0000Z-2400Z, Jan 7
+ Marconi Club ARI Loano QSO Party Day	0700Z-2100Z, Jan 7
+ WW PMC Contest	1200Z, Jan 7 to 1200Z, Jan 8
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Jan 7 to 2400Z, Jan 8
+ RSGB AFS Contest, CW	1300Z-1700Z, Jan 7
+ Original QRP Contest	1500Z, Jan 7 to 1500Z, Jan 8
+ ARRL RTTY Roundup	1800Z, Jan 7 to 2400Z, Jan 8
+ ARRL Kids Day	1800Z-2359Z, Jan 7
L ELIOW 400m Contest	2000Z-2300Z, Jan 7 and
+ EUCW 160m Contest	0400Z-0700Z, Jan 8
+ DARC 10-Meter Contest	0900Z-1059Z, Jan 8
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 9
+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Jan 9
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 9
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Jan 9
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 9
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Jan 10
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 10
<u>+ QRP Fox Hunt</u>	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 11
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 11
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Jan 11
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 11
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Jan 11
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jan 11
<u>+ Mini-Test 80</u>	1800Z-1859Z, Jan 11 Continued on Page 20



<u>+ CWops Test</u>	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 11
<u>+ CWops Test</u>	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 12
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jan 12
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 12
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jan 13
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 13
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 13
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 13
+ YB DX Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Jan 14
+ WAB 1.8 MHz Phone	0600Z-2200Z, Jan 14
+ UBA PSK63 Prefix Contest	1200Z, Jan 14 to 1200Z, Jan 15
+ North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Jan 14 to 0559Z, Jan 15
+ NRAU-Baltic Contest, SSB	0630Z-0830Z, Jan 15
+ NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW	0900Z-1100Z, Jan 15
+ RSGB AFS Contest, Data	1300Z-1700Z, Jan 15
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Jan 15 to 0100Z, Jan 16
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 16
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 16
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Jan 16
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 16
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Jan 17
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 17
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 18
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 18
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Jan 18
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 18
<u>+ Mini-Test 40</u>	1700Z-1759Z, Jan 18
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jan 18
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Jan 18
<u>+ CWops Test</u>	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 18 Continued on Page 21



+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 19 and
	0200Z-0300Z, Jan 20
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Jan 19
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 19
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jan 19
+ NTC QSO Party	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 19
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jan 20
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 20
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 20
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 20
+ PRO Digi Contest	1200Z, Jan 21 to 1159Z, Jan 22
+ Hungarian DX Contest	1200Z, Jan 21 to 1159Z, Jan 22
+ RSGB AFS Contest, SSB	1300Z-1700Z, Jan 21
+ NA Collegiate Championship, SSB	1800Z, Jan 21 to 0559Z, Jan 22
+ North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Jan 21 to 0559Z, Jan 22
+ ARRL January VHF Contest	1900Z, Jan 21 to 0359Z, Jan 23
+ Feld Hell Sprint	2000Z, Jan 21 to 0559Z, Jan 22
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 23
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 23
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Jan 23
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 23
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Jan 24
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 24
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Jan 25
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 25
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 25
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+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jan 25
+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 25
<u>+ Australia Day Contest</u>	2200Z, Jan 25 to 1000Z, Jan 26
+ AWA Line Cundall Memorial CW Contest	2300Z, Jan 25 to 2300Z, Jan 26 and
+ AWA Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest	23007 Jan 28 to 23007 Jan 29

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+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Jan 26
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jan 26
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jan 26
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jan 27
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 27
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 27
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Jan 27
+ CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW	2200Z, Jan 27 to 2200Z, Jan 29
+ REF Contest, CW	0600Z, Jan 28 to 1800Z, Jan 29
+ BARTG RTTY Sprint	1200Z, Jan 28 to 1200Z, Jan 29
+ UBA DX Contest, SSB	1300Z, Jan 28 to 1300Z, Jan 29
+ Winter Field Day	1900Z, Jan 28 to 1900Z, Jan 29
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Jan 30
+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 30
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jan 30
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Jan 30
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