



Announcing Our FMCA ARC Fall Rally 2024!

BEFORE - THE - RALLY BELTON HAM FEST

When: October 4th and 5th

Where: Bell County Expo Center (Renamed to Cadence Bank Center)
301 West Loop 12
Belton, Texas

The ham fest is more of a side-walk sale, but it's a big one. There will be a number of vendors and a lot of boat anchors. It doesn't actually start until Friday afternoon and ends early Saturday after the main drawing.

We plan some local activities as a group during the Belton stay at Live Oak Ridge Park. It is not an official ARC campout, but should be fun.

SPECIAL NOTES: When making your reservation, mention FMCA Amateur Radio Chapter and the Rally.

AFTER MAKING YOUR RESERVATION, PLEASE NOTIFY HOSTS Dave & Beth WB4OHV@yahoo.com

Rally Co-Hosts for this event:

Bob (WB5MRG) & Lana Blackstock
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Dave (WB4HOV) & Beth Rathke
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FMCA ARC Chapter Fall 2024 Rally

WHEN: Arrive OCT.7, 2024 Depart: Oct. 11, 2024 (4 nights-Oct.7, 8, 9, & 10)
WHERE: Fredericksburg RV Park 305 East Hwy Street Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

Please see following page for details of both events.

BELTON HAM FEST

A number of our ARC members already have reservations starting Wednesday October 2 at an Army Corp of Engineer's park, Live Oak Ridge on Lake Belton. A number of sites are still open but will fill up fast...If you plan to stay at Live Oak Ridge, you need to make your reservations soon.

If you are unable to get into Live Oak Ridge, several other choices are listed.

1. Some hams stay on the main Expo Center parking lot. This is dry camping and only allowed Thursday through Saturday, free of charge but not recommended.
2. The Expo Center has 60 sites with electrical and water at its south end. There are dump stations available. These sites are \$35 per night and are first-come-first-served.
3. The Belton RV Park, (next door to the Expo Center) is \$45 per night. Reach them at www.beltonrvpark.com, (254) 939-1961.
4. There are a number of Army Corp parks within easy driving distance from both the Expo Center Ham Fest and the Live Oak Ridge activities. Go to: www.recreation.gov, (877) 444-6777.
 - a. Cedar Ridge park –Lake Belton
 - b. Union Grove Park-Stillhouse Hollow Lake
 - c. Dana Peak Park –Stillhouse Hollow Lake

A number of other Army Corp parks are on the two lakes, but are closed October through March. There are also several commercial parks in the area.

FREDERICKSBURG ARC RALLY

The rally will begin on Monday, October 7 at 4:00 pm with happy hour. Please bring your own beverage. We will follow up at 5:00 with a welcome dinner. A rally event schedule will be provided.

Rally Hosts: WB5MRG Bob & Lana Blackstock (817) 774-6202

WB5HOV Dave & Beth Rathke (704) 677-4433

Rally Sites: \$55 per day

You must handle your reservations (as well as cancellations if required).

Sites are limited due to the popularity of Fredericksburg October Fest which is October 4-6.