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Attn: Vic Klein, WA4THR

Dear Vic Klein,

I would like to thank you for the grant money for Education Alliance for Amateur Radio, EAAR. This funding goes a long way in providing us with the tools needed to introduce the excitement of modern communication equipment to a new generation of individuals who are likely to become future HAM radio operators.

I would like to show you how funds were spent for Scouting programs on Field Day 2017 at Ringing Rocks Park in Pottstown, PA. Please note that this is a progress report and not the final report for ECARS. Our larger project, which the grant was written for, comprises 35-40 Scouts is scheduled for early October.

Early in 2017, the local aviation club contacted several Boy Scout Troops in the Pottstown, Pa area and EAAR about an event at the Pottstown airport. Over 2,000 Boy Scouts were invited and many expected to obtain their Radio Merit Badge. Unfortunately, this event was cancelled.

EAAR recognized the need for Radio Merit Badge training and sent out a mailer to 30 local troops in the Pottstown Area. The mailer stated that EAAR would provide the radio/ foxhunt and on the air requirements of the Radio Merit Badge to be fulfilled at Field Day. The mailer also included a workbook detailing the self-study requirements for the Radio Merit Badge.

EAAR had 7 Scouts showing up and completing the Radio Merit Badge on Field Day Weekend. Attached please find some photos of Scouts during the event. We received very positive feedback from both the Scouts and their parents.

Thank you and ECARS for you efforts and funding. Please look forward to our final report at the end of 2017.

Sincerely,

William Hewitt, Ph.D.
Executive Director EAAR
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EAAR Banner at Field Day Site



Walt (KB3SBC) teaching Scouts about Radio



Foxhunting with equipment grant from ECARS

