



Troop 893 Jamboree-on-the-Air 2026

**Saturday, October 17th
from 11:00AM to 4:00PM**

**Centreville United Methodist Church
Picnic Pavilion (Activity Field)
6400 Old Centreville Rd, Centreville, VA**



Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is the largest Scouting event in the world. It is held annually the third full weekend in October. JOTA uses amateur radio to link Scouts and "hams" (aka amateur radio operators) around the world, around the nation, and in your own community. This jamboree requires no travel, other than to the Troop 893 JOTA Station at the CUMC Activity Field.

***Stop by and talk on a radio to some scouts or amateur radio operators!
Stay for a little or stay for a lot. It is all for fun and to connect with others nearby and far away!***

Once at the JOTA radio station, the communication typically involves talking on a microphone and listening on the station speakers. However, other forms of specialized communication may also take place, such as digital communication (much like sending a message on your smartphone but transmitted by radio), or communication through a satellite relay, or an earth-based relay (called a repeater). The stations you'll be communicating with can be across town, across the country, or even around the world! The World Scout Bureau reported that the 2017 JOTA-JOTI had over 1.5 million Scout participants from more than 160 countries!

JOTA is also a great introduction to the Radio, Electronics, and Digital Technology merit badges! *(With your counselor's approval you may complete requirements 7 and 9.(a).(6) of the Radio Merit Badge - bring your blue card!)*

Scouts that are interested should sign up here: [Troop 893 JOTA Sign Up](#)

Scouts and adults - your help is needed! If you are interested in assisting in set up and station operations please sign up above and contact ASM Shawn Morrow at shawnm@ieee.org. If you have completed the radio or electronics merit badges, or are interested in doing so, you are qualified to help!

***For more information:
please use the QR code or follow the link!***



https://troop893.com/activities/radio_scouting/