

### ACARA Questionnaire—2006 Results

**In which amateur radio-related activities do you participate? E.g., DXing, Digital modes, field/portable operations, attending hamfests, etc.**

Activity	Responses	Rank
Hamfests	8	1
Nets/skeds	6	2
Field/portable ops.	5	3
DXing	4	4
Contests	3	5
Digital modes	3	5
Restoration	2	6
CW operation	1	7
Homebrew	1	7
Kit building	1	7

**What are some new activities or events in which we as a radio club might participate? These can be public events or club-only activities.**

Fox hunting (two responses)  
 More public service events (two responses)  
 Better communication about events  
 Participation in Sustainability Festival  
 Participation in contests at the club level  
 Involvement with Emergency Management Agency

**We are always looking for program topics for meetings. What would you like to see presented?**

Amateur television  
 Digital modes  
 Antenna construction  
 Fundamentals, e.g., soldering, preparing cables: power, RF, etc.  
 Demonstration of new equipment  
 Advancement in license class/license renewal  
 On-air courtesy  
 Support for new hams  
 Computer-based receivers  
 BPL  
 Direction finding  
 Traffic nets  
 Basic circuits  
 Propagation forecasts  
 Presentation of skills and topics to aid licensees to become hams

**Is there an area of amateur radio that you could talk about?**

Electronic Theory  
ARES  
Propagation  
DXing  
Initiating and ending QSOs  
Use of OPSIGs/abbreviations  
Net Participation  
Logging

**What would you like to learn about amateur radio that would add to your knowledge?**

Digital electronics  
License renewal  
License upgrading procedures  
Contest logging software  
Getting to know other members  
Visit a shack  
Better understanding of circuits  
Small home brew project, e.g., 15m transceiver

**What should we do at meetings?**

More time to chat  
Party/potluck/dinner with guest speaker  
Additional week-end training session toward license advancement  
More emphasis on technical skills  
Less on the business aspects with less BS  
Impose a 45 minute limit on business aspects

**Please provide any general comments that you may have that could improve our club.**

More input from membership  
Greater participation  
Use member's names as well as call signs in the newsletter and other communication  
Provide an on-line map with members' locations  
Have a winter potluck in addition to the monthly meeting  
Emphasize HF operation, e.g.  
antenna construction                      propagation                      operating  
station organization                      choice of gear                      traffic handling  
contest operation                      QSLing                      choice of power supplies  
upgrading CW and other skills