

NAQCC FLORIDA CHAPTER MEMBER NEWS: March 2018



Small Group.....Small Report!!!

On Friday, February 16, 2018 the Florida Chapter of NAQCC returned to a local park favorite for our monthly adventure. We held our latest “Operation in the Park” at Lake Ashby Park in New Smyrna Beach, Florida (as previously discussed, the park address is in New Smyrna Beach – but it’s 17 miles to the beach!).

The 64-acre rural park includes primitive tent camping, a playground, volleyball court, nature/horse trails, boardwalks, fishing pier, grills, and pavilions with picnic tables. It also offers a free public boat ramp nearby and a 3,500-square-foot children's play area that includes a variety of climbers, swings and ladders.

This popular waterfront park offers many outdoor recreational opportunities, including canoeing, fishing, walking and simply enjoying nature. Angling is permitted from a boardwalk and along the shore. Additionally, a launch site for personal watercraft is available. Lake Ashby was named for Major James A. Ashby, who helped lead American military forces during the Second Seminole War.

Most of our group couldn’t make it this month – work, personal obligations, and the cold weather (it was in the low 50’s when we started).

This trip we had a total of 3 members/operators in our group to include: Art WB4MNK #5274; KD4JS #8019; and Mike K8NS #8597. Thanks to John KD4JS for taking most of the pics again! Got there later than usual because of the cold WX which actually worked out pretty good.



John KD4JS #8019

As usual, John took care of the photos and QRSPOTS postings for both operators.

Here he dutifully works his magic!

Thanks John!

Art WB4MNK #5274

Art's KX1 and a ground mounted 17' vertical for 20,30 and 40 meters

Art worked: 20M WA9TUT Dirk IL; WI5H Mike TX; AA8LF John MI; and VE7ACN/7 Mikhail BC

Also, he worked WI5H Mike in TX on 30M – a twofer!





Mike K8NS #8597

Mike's Station was a KX3 and a wire in a tree.

He worked:
40M W8ARC Bob WV.
17M PJ2/SP2GJ and EA8PT

Nice DX!!

More Pics!



Art and Mike "making adjustments"



**Mike and John,
“reaping the
benefits”!**

The WX turn out to be a beautiful day. We had a bunch of fun and enjoyed the outing very much.

Many thanks to those who listened for us and helped make this another successful NAQCC-FL event!

NEXT MONTH’S SCHEDULED EVENT:

Friday, April 20th, 2018 starting at 9:30 AM EDT

A NEW ONE! Mill Lake Park (230 S. Orange Avenue, Orange City, FL)

Park webpage with directions: [DIRECTIONS TO PARK AND INFO](#)

WHO: “The Usual Suspects” – Art WB4MNK, Steve WB4OMM, Rick AA4W, Don K3RLL, Wally KG4LAL, Bob W2EJG, John KM4JTE, John KD4JS, Phil NW4X, Nikki KM4SBQ, John W2IV, Doug W4DBL (and whoever else can make it).

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Look for our announcement!

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