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March 5 & 6, 2027

SHOW HOURS
FRIDAY: 3 PM TO 8 PM
SATURDAY: 8:30 AM TO 2:00 pm
NO SUNDAY HOURS



Over the weekend of March 5 & 6, 2027 don't miss a chance to celebrate the end of winter. Come to the largest, **indoor, climate controlled, Hamfest** in the Southeast. Join us with several thousand enthusiastic ham radio operators, and their friends, and families, as they gather at the **2027 Charlotte Hamfest™** to talk ham radio, attend forums, and shop for any and all types of ham radio products!

We actively run advertisements for our Hamfest in regional publications and websites such as the SERA Repeater Journal, Facebook and on other on-line Internet Amateur Radio related websites.

In 2027, we continue at the – ***Cabarrus Arena & Events Center***, 4751 Highway 49 North, Concord, NC in the **Gold Hall**. This venue is conveniently located just minutes away from I-85, I-485, and the Concord Mills Mall area. Again, this year we offer ***FREE Parking* for everyone** attending the Charlotte Hamfest™. (Our Free parking is paid by the Charlotte Hamfest™ Committee, and this bonus draws many hams back to our event over and over again). In addition, if you *act early* to place your table order, you will get a ***discounted price*** on the cost per table. You, our dealers, help to make the Charlotte Hamfest™ possible and special, and we really appreciate your participation in our event. By working together as a team, we can make the combination of our venue, advertising, and support, along with your reputation as well as high quality products, a profitable enterprise for the both of us.

Please be sure to give us three choices when you request your preferred table location (or block of tables). Overall layout is available on the www.charlottehamfest.org website and below in this document. We will be using an "open air" setup and traffic flow so that all tables are more visible.

You may select a single table or a range of tables depending on your desired table size. If you desire a custom table configuration, please contact us at dealers@charlottehamfest.org. On the Order Form, you may select other options or you can bring your own tablecloth and table skirt if you wish. Dealers may provide their own table signs.

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The Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society, Inc. – W4BFB of Charlotte, NC proudly sponsors this annual event through the Charlotte Hamfest™ Committee. Spark your new business year, by being at our 2027 Charlotte Hamfest™.

40+ YEARS OF CHARLOTTE HAMFESTS

Mail your completed Exhibitor Registration Agreement and payment to:

Charlotte Hamfest
c/o Mary Hunt
1205 Waypoint Court
Matthews, NC 28104

If on-site camping is your thing, there are plenty of full-service camping spaces available at the Cabarrus Arena and Events Center. Go out to www.charlottehamfest.org to get the camping form. Please note that all camping is arranged through the Cabarrus Arena & Event Center and that you must check in with the Center's Office.

Attached to this letter, I've included a dealer table information package, which contains the following:

- Dealer Rate Sheet
- Facility Information Sheet
- Floor Plan of Dealer Table area at the Cabarrus Arena and Events Center
- Dealer Area 'Use" Policy
- Contract (print two copies…. ***Send a signed one to us***, and keep one for your records)

CHECK IN/SET UP TIMES FOR THE HAMFEST are:
Check in time on Friday is from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

For information on local hotels, please visit www.visitcabarrus.com,.

You can e-mail us at dealers@charlottehamfest.org. More information is also available at the 2027 Charlotte Hamfest™ web site at www.charlottehamfest.org We will be happy to include your URL hot link to your company's web site if you provide it on your registration form. We look forward to seeing you at our 2027 Charlotte Hamfest™!

Sincerely,

Mark Dingee

Mark Dingee
2027 Charlotte Hamfest
Hamfest Chairman

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Rates for Exhibit Space

Tables	**$ 40.00 each**
115v Duplex Electrical Outlet	**$ 45.00 per outlet**
Extra Tables for storage not for display	**$ 20.00 each**
Table Skirt	**$ 15.00 each**

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS (TABLE Cost ONLY)
15% Discount if postmarked by December 31, 2026
10% Discount if postmarked by January 31, 2027

All tables offer excellent traffic flow and great visibility at a great price.

Single Tables measure 8' x 30" and can be rented individually for additional storage behind display

Prices include both days of show. Extra 8' undraped tables must be ordered in advance.

Electricity will be provided if requested for $45 per outlet used. Electricity can be ordered at the show office as late as Monday, March 4, 2027. You may not request electricity after the show has opened on Friday.

Security: There will be adequate security, including one uniformed officer at the Hamfest Entrance at the Gold Hall. The Dealer area is secured and restricted Friday evening until the 8:30 am opening on Saturday. Overnight security remains in the area.

Terms: Payment *in full* with your reservation on or by January 31, 2027. Partial payments will hold your reservation until that date. Partial payment must be at least 50% of the total order.

Refunds: Full refund up to January 15, 2027. Sorry, but absolutely **NO REFUNDS after January 31, 2027 unless the event is cancelled.**

Setup Times: 10:00 a.m. -- 2:00 p.m. -- Friday
7:00 a.m. -- Saturday

Tax Man: North Carolina law requires that we have on file a copy of your **NC Sales and Use Tax license**. Please attach a copy to your registration application. (Event takes place in Cabarrus County. Link to NC Tax Rates)

PLEASE BE ADVISED: You must either provide a copy of this license or apply for one before you will be allowed to set up. Absolutely no one will be allowed to exhibit without it. It's the law!!!!!

EXCEPTION: Manufacturers who are only displaying items and not taking orders are exempt from purchasing a Sales and Use Tax license.

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DEALER HOURS -

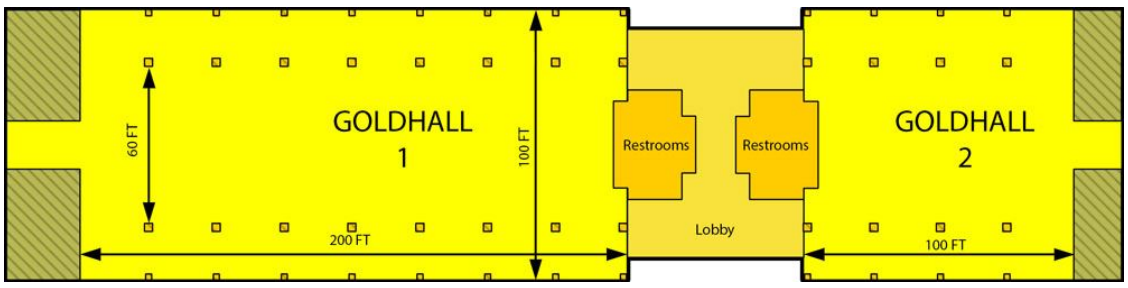
FRIDAY: CHECK IN -- **10:00 A.M. -- 2:00 P.M.** -- New Equipment Dealers and Swapfest

SATURDAY: 7:00 A.M. -- New Equipment Dealers and all SwapFest

Gold Hall



NOTICE: Although cell connections have improved, reliable Cell Phone connections are unpredictable for making or receiving calls from within the metal-framed Gold Hall. If you will need reliable/constant telephone service during the Charlotte Hamfest™, let us know and we will email you an Event Center order form for a dedicated (at an additional cost) phone line. The Event Center has demonstrated to us that this is a secure internet connection that is managed by Cabarrus County.



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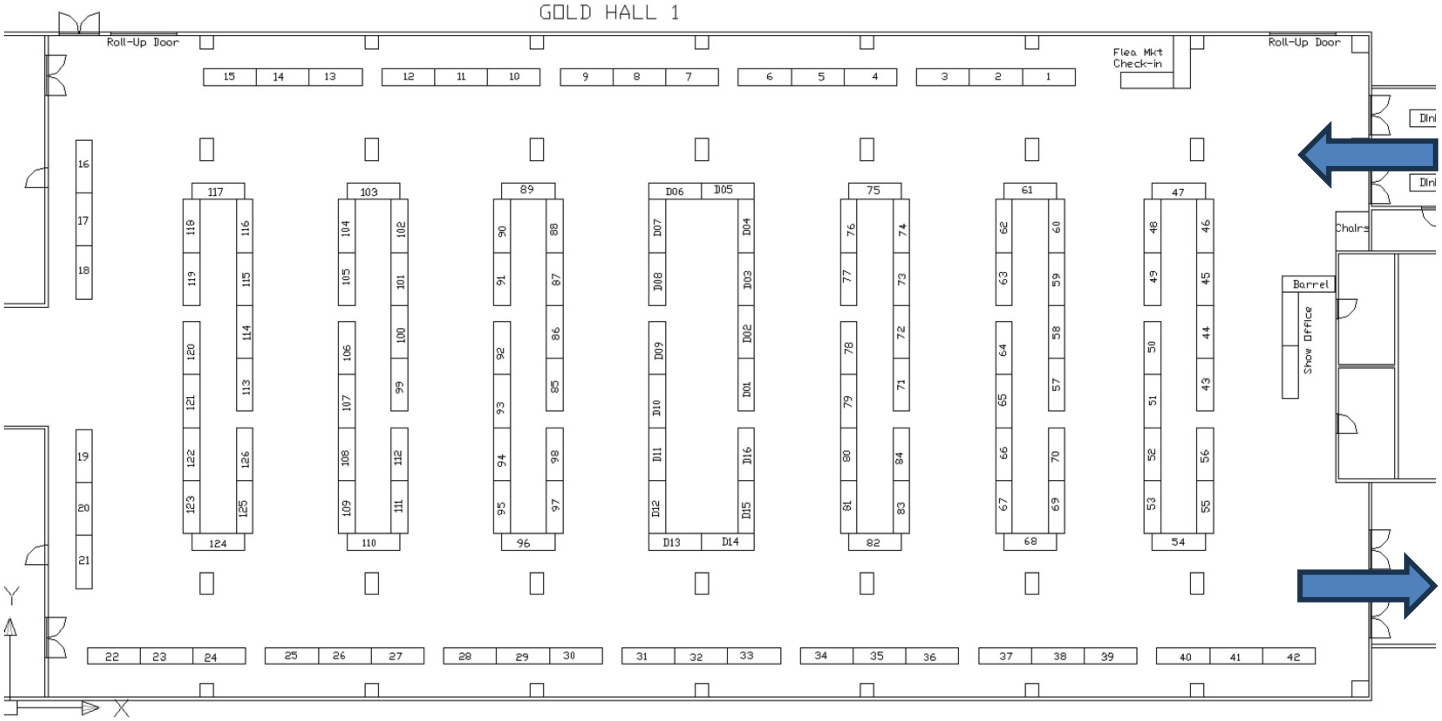
Gold Hall 1 Layout



Traffic flow

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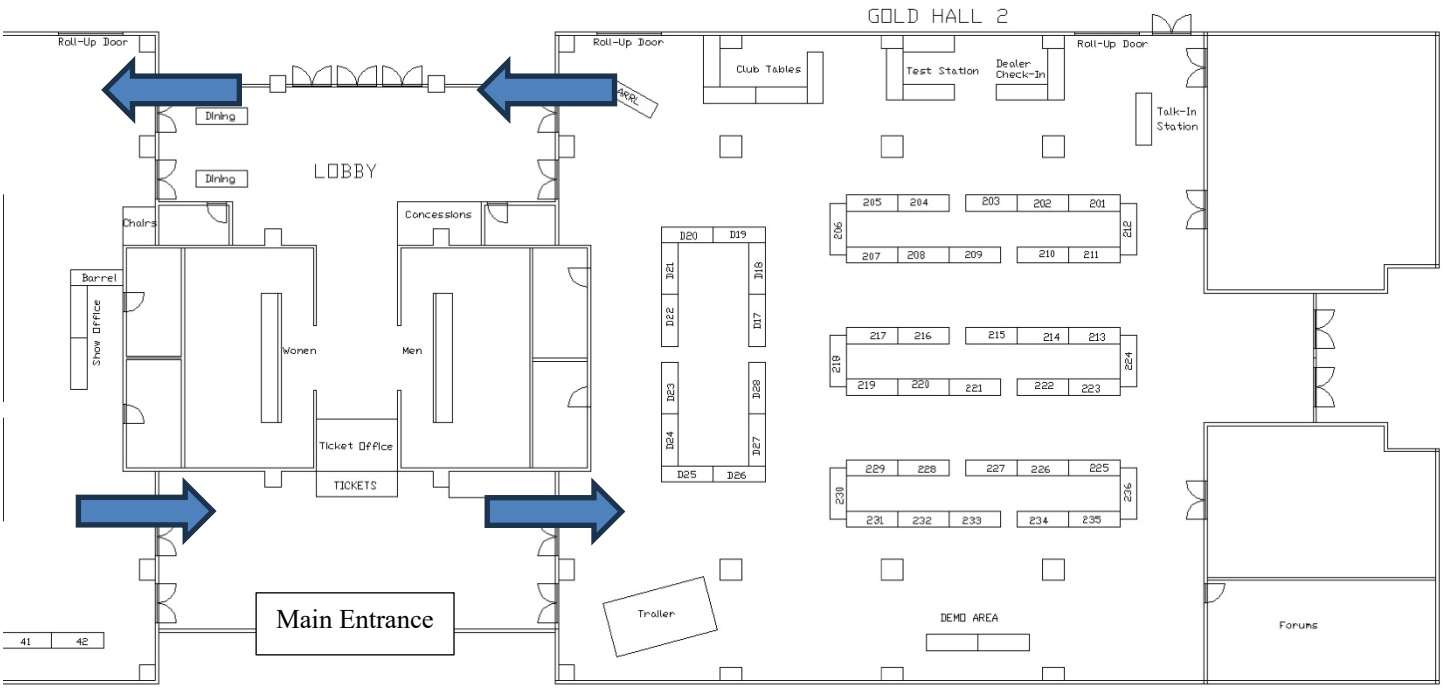
Gold Hall 2 Layout



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Dealer Area 'USE POLICY'

- No 'new' or 'bootlegged' CD ROM/DVD sales allowed.
- No '11 Meter' or 'FCC illegal' devices allowed.
- No Smoking allowed anywhere at the Event Center.
- No Firearms or Flammables allowed on the premises.
- No Food sales or alcoholic beverages allowed.
- No Pornography allowed in any form or format.
- No registered sex offenders allowed on the premises.
- Everyone in the Event Center must have a valid ticket.
- No pirated or counterfeit goods.
- Tables may not be sublet
- No Tailgating
- No table rearranging will be allowed due to Fire Code.
- Please consider bringing a fire extinguisher

NOTICE: Violation of the Use Policy shall result in ejection from the Event Center grounds, without recourse to refund of any kind. Local law enforcement shall be informed of any illegal activities found or suspected – no exceptions!

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Exhibitor Registration Agreement

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Company _____

Owner's Name: _____

Contact: _____

Address: _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____ Web Site URL: _____

Special requirements: _____

Check all appropriate boxes that describe your business: ___Ham Radio ___Computers ___Antennas ___Manufacturer ___Software Retailer ___Publisher ___Other: _____

*******All Exhibitors are required to provide a North Carolina tax license *******
********IT'S THE LAW********

List your NC Department of Revenue tax number _____
You must attach a copy of your license.

Please send me an application for a tax number ___YES ___NO

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Table Space Selections: 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____ 3rd Choice _____

_____ Tickets	@	$ 13.00 Each	$_____
_____ Prize Tickets	@	$ 1.00 Each	$_____
_____ Prize Tickets	@	6 for $5.00	$_____
_____ Tables	@	$40.00 Each	$_____
_____ Chairs	@	$ 4.00 Each	$_____
_____ Extra Tables	@	$20.00 Each	$_____
_____ Electricity	@	$45.00 Each	$_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED:			$_____

Mail your check and SIGNED Exhibitor Registration Agreement to:
Charlotte Hamfest, c/o Mary Hunt, 1205 Waypoint Court, Matthews, NC 28104

IMPORTANT: We cannot honor any registration request unless the following section is filled out completely, signed and dated.

THIS AGREEMENT made by and between MECKLENBURG AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC. d/b/a CHARLOTTE HAMFEST™ (hereinafter referred to as "HAMFEST"), and _____ (hereinafter referred to as "VENDOR") the day and date written below. SPACE & TABLES: In consideration for the amount paid, HAMFEST will provide and assign to the VENDOR an appropriate location with one (1) undraped table and one (1) chair. HAMFEST will provide other chairs, drapes, electricity as ordered and paid for by the VENDOR.

VENDOR RESPONSIBILITIES: VENDOR will be solely responsible for the erection and removal of his exhibit, and for the operation of his assigned area. All activities shall be carried out in compliance with and subject to the rules, regulations, and obligations imposed upon HAMFEST by reason of the Master Lease Agreement with the **Cabarrus Arena & Events Center**. VENDOR shall be responsible for compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations, including safety, licensing and/or taxing regulations, applicable to VENDOR and/or the HAMFEST. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless HAMFEST, its agents, servants, employees or members from all liability that may result either directly or indirectly from any activity of VENDOR. The HAMFEST reserves the right to refund booth consideration paid, and remove from the premises any VENDOR found to be in material violation of any responsibility imposed under this paragraph.

This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of North Carolina.

Exhibitor Signature _____ Date: _____

You must sign, date and return ORIGINAL copy with your check.

NOTE: Print 2 COPIES of this page: *Sign and return ORIGINAL copy* - to the Hamfest. Keep the 2nd copy for your records

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