



David Turner W5DRT got his Technician's license in 2007 after they had dropped the CW requirements. He'd been a storm spotter for a while and saw this as a good opportunity. He upgraded to General in 2023 and to Amateur Extra 7 months later. David enjoys doing POTA, both hunting and activating, and he likes the challenge of making DX contacts and working satellites on VHF/UHF. Another challenge he enjoys is adjusting the radio to filter out unwanted noise and playing with the RF gain and volume to be able to pull out a weak signal. He likes reading about different antennas that can be used for different circumstances.



David likes the camaraderie of GCARC members and friends, sharing interests and knowledge and just spending time together with the great people who make up our club. He'd

like to see the club grow and feels it will happen as we become more visible to the public. It is good to have people see us as a positive in the community especially when emergencies arise.

David operates in parks or on his patio now and hopes to set up his indoor shack in the future. He has a Yaesu FT8800 mobile unit (2m 70 cm) and the following antennas and equipment: a Comet magnetic mobile antenna, 2m 70cm Elk Log Period Antenna and tripod mount and a 15ah LiFePo bioenno battery. For HF he has an ICOM 7300, a RigExpert AA230 Zoom Antenna Analyzer, a 40-10 EFHW (49:1 & 100+ watts) WRC vertical (75-10 mega mini-TIA) with sporty 40 coil, and a Cheap HP laptop from Walmart.

David is an asset to our club, a good friend and a knowledgeable ham radio operator. We're so glad he's here!