

The logo is a circular emblem with a blue outer ring containing the text "NGRC" at the top and "AMATEUR RADIO CLUB" at the bottom in white. The center features a yellow antenna tower with two lightning bolts above it. Overlaid on the tower is the call sign "W6TRW" in red.

W6TRW Discord User Setup



What is Discord?

- Skype-like communication tool
 - Becoming popular for many group-coordination activities
 - “Discord is for everyone”
- Users communicate via private server
 - Supports text, voice, video, and screen-share
 - Persistent server means one-time setup
- Available PC client, web browser, and mobile app
 - PC: Windows, MacOS, Linux, Chrome OS
 - Mobile: Android and iOS



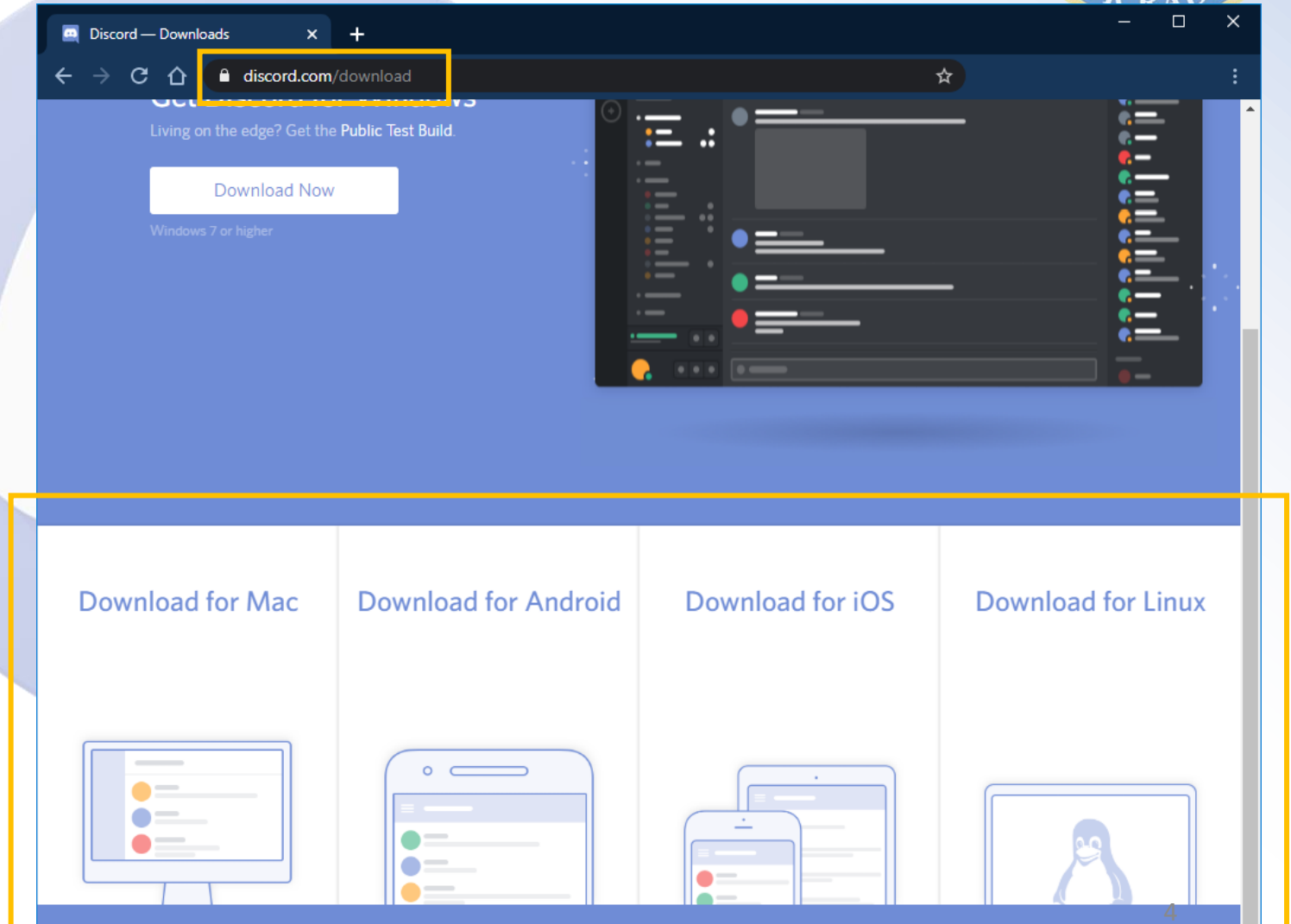
Discord for W6TRW

- Remote meetings with voice/video and screenshare
- Promote group discussion anytime without formal email
 - Can be seen by a wide group
 - Bigger support system for new hams and experienced alike
- Topics organized into separate channels
 - Ex: Field Day, shack improvements, SOTA/POTA outings, etc.
- Share expeditions, stay connect during contests, SOTA/POTA, equipment for sale, etc.
 - Push-notifications available through mobile app
- Options to individually silence channels

Setup Instructions



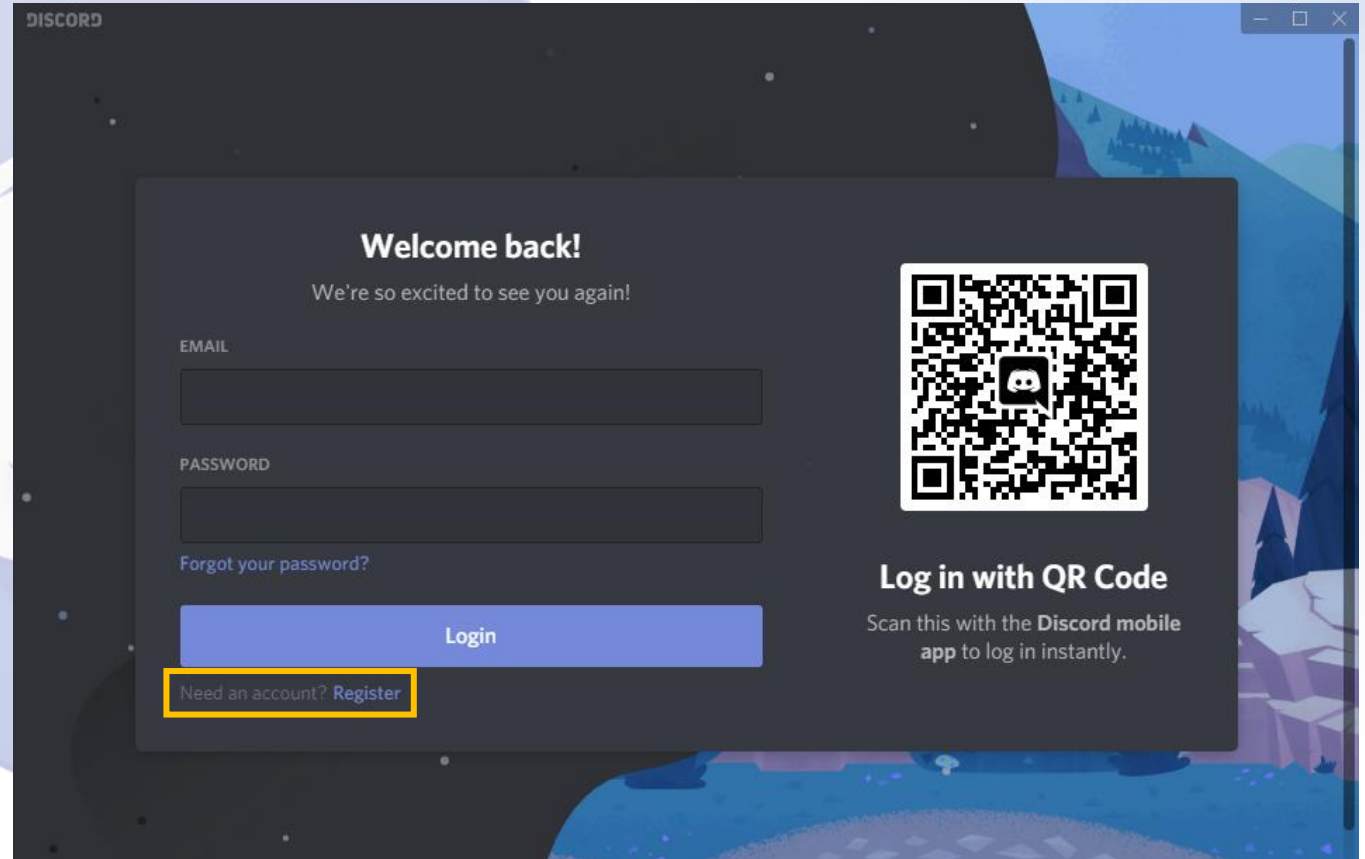
- The instructions in this guide cover setup through the Discord desktop client
- Alternatively, the steps should be very similar if you'd prefer to get started entirely through your web browser
- Desktop client:
 - In your web browser, go to: <http://www.discord.com/download>
 - Select the download for your system and install on your computer
- Web browser:
 - In your web browser, go to: <http://www.discord.com>
 - Click the **Login** button in the upper right
 - See the “Need an Account?” and click **Register**
 - Fill in the “**Create an Account**” form
 - Remember to save your username and password
 - You can pick a nickname later with your callsign for others to see instead





Setup Instructions (cont'd)

- Opening Discord for the first time, you should see the screen to the right
- Click the Register button to create your account





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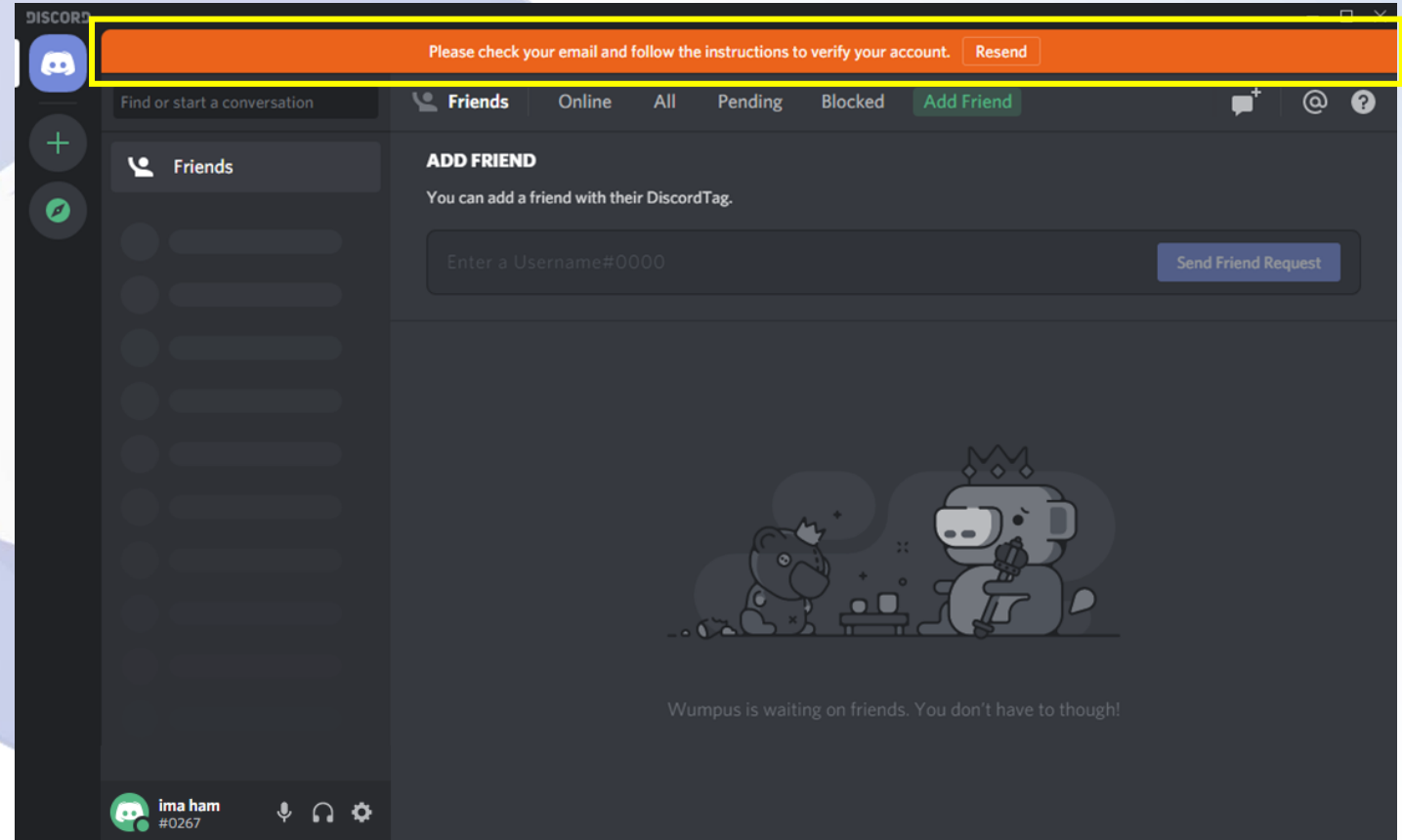
- Enter your email address
 - Discord will send you a verification email to create your new account
- Pick out a username
 - You can pick a nickname later with your callsign for others to see instead
- Pick out a good password
- Click the Continue button

The screenshot shows the Discord 'Create an account' form. The form is titled 'Create an account' and has three input fields: 'EMAIL', 'USERNAME', and 'PASSWORD'. Below the 'PASSWORD' field is a blue 'Continue' button. At the bottom of the form, there is a link 'Already have an account?' and a small text line: 'By registering, you agree to Discord's Terms of Service and Privacy Policy.' The background of the window shows a stylized landscape with mountains and trees.



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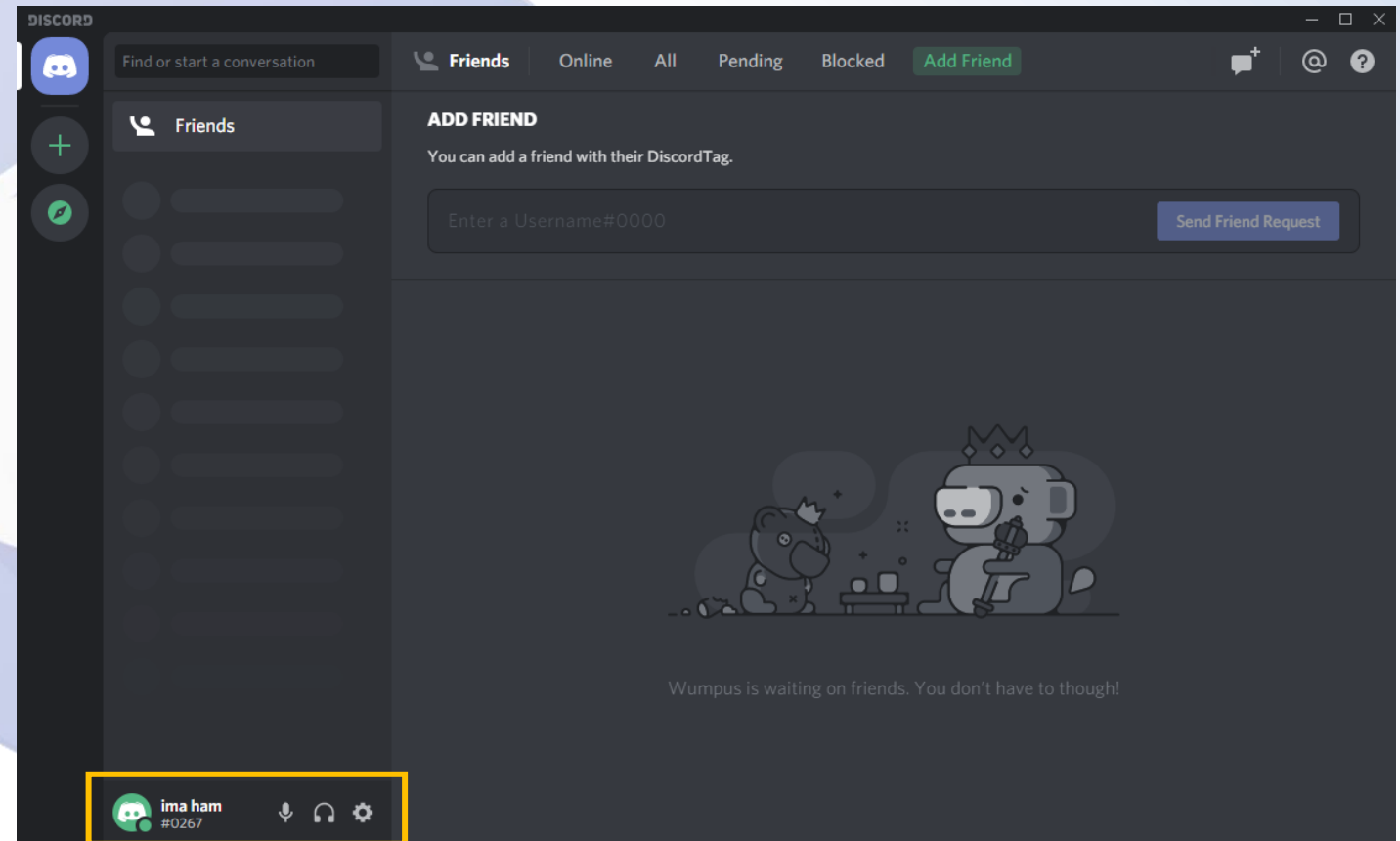
- The next window you will see is the main Discord window
- First, notice that there is an orange box to notify you that an email has been sent to you to verify your account
- After you verify, this box will go away





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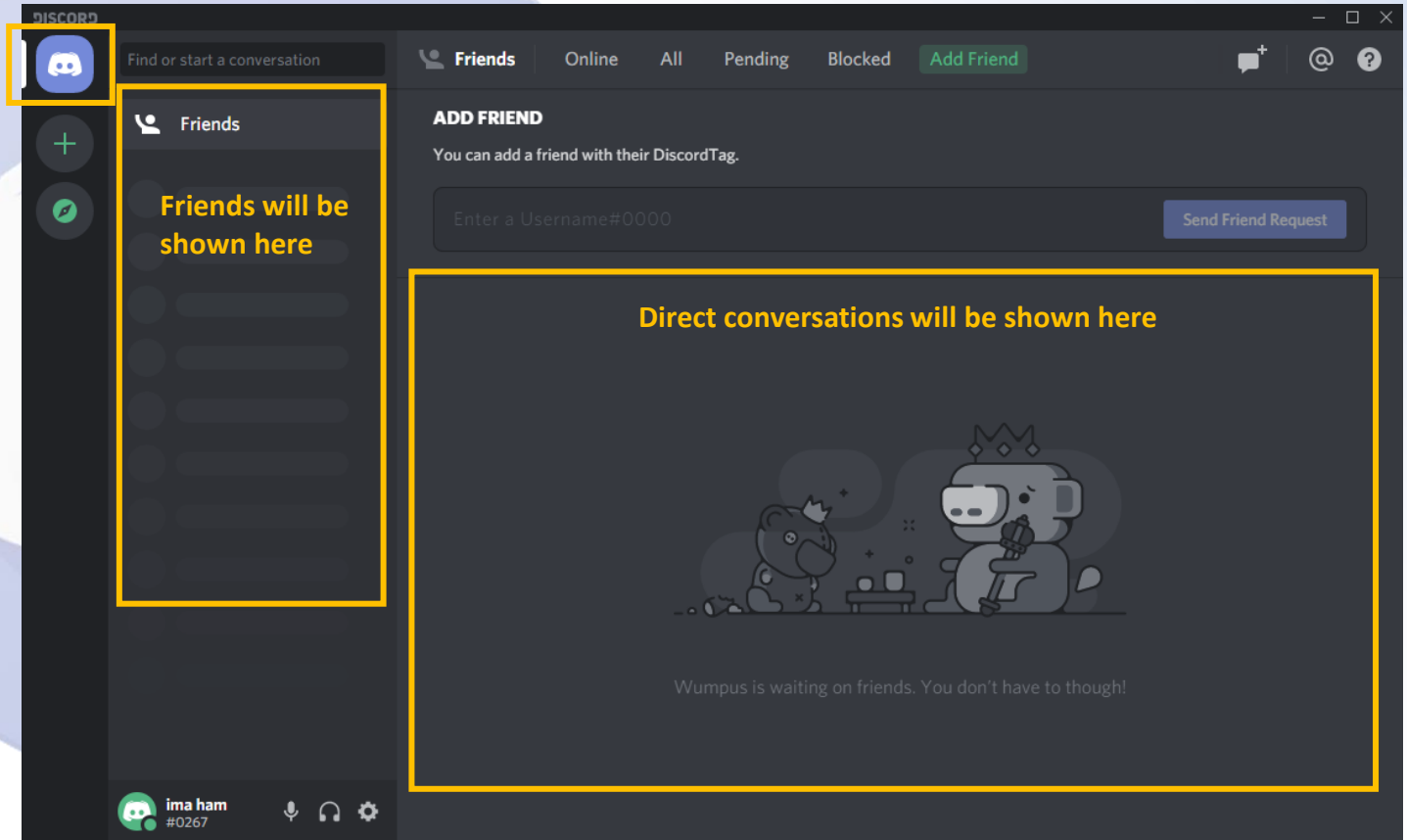
- Highlighted to the right is your chosen username with a numeric “tag” appended
 - In this case, “ima ham#0267”
 - You can share this with others that you would like to connect with on Discord
- To the side of your username are three icons depicting a microphone, headset, and gear
 - Clicking the mic icon will mute/unmute your microphone when you are in a voice-chat session
 - Clicking the headset icon will deafen/undeafen; this means that you will toggle voice-chat sound on and off
 - The gear icon will open up a settings window for customizing your setup





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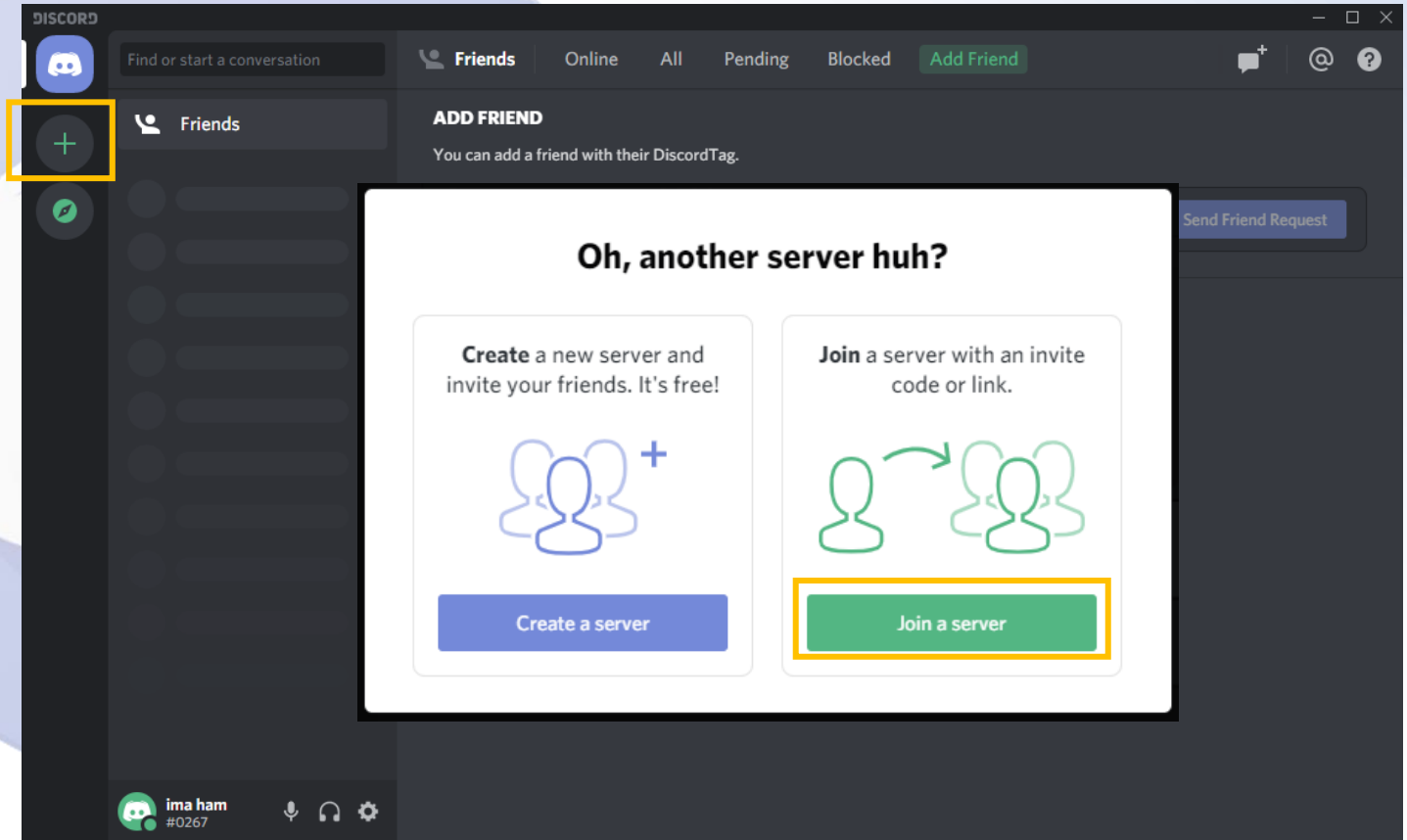
- Currently we are on the Home window
- This is shown by the vertical white bar next to the Discord icon in the left panel
- This window will show any friends you are connected to and list any one-to-one conversations you have with them





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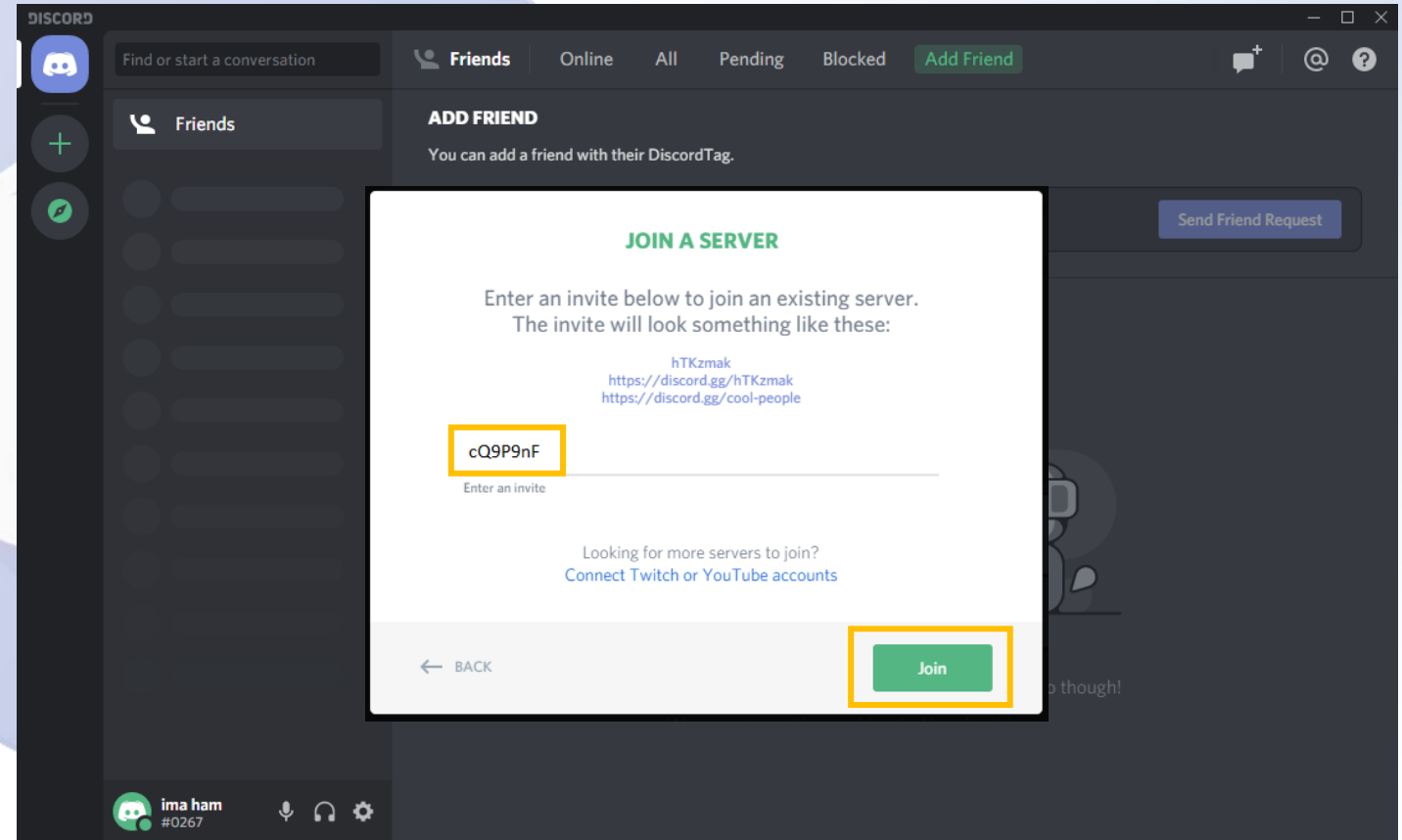
- You can add chat servers, like the W6TRW server, by clicking the plus icon in the left panel
- A sub-window will open; click on **Join a Server**





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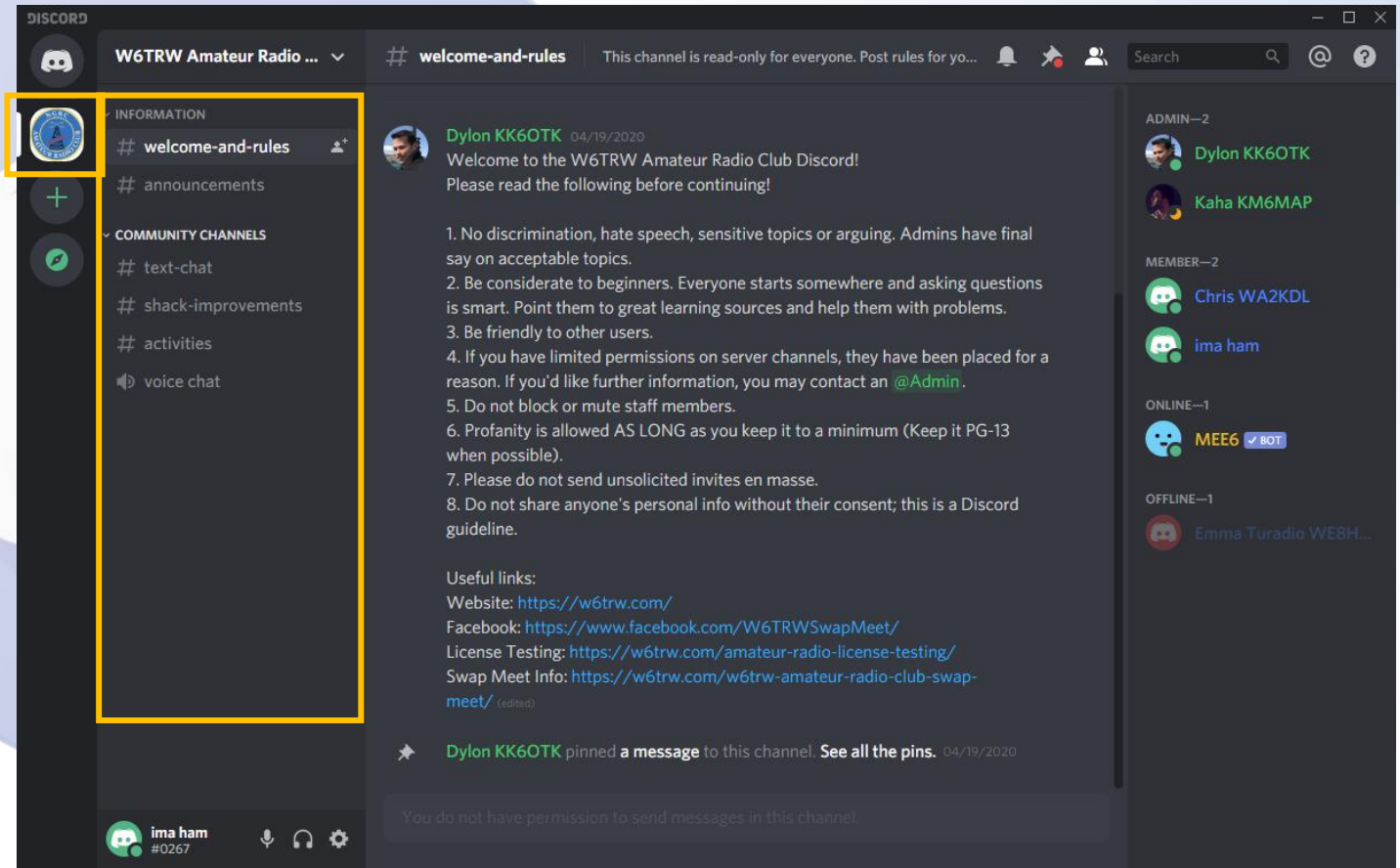
- The W6TRW invite code is:
cQ9P9nF
- Enter the invite code in the sub-window and click **Join**





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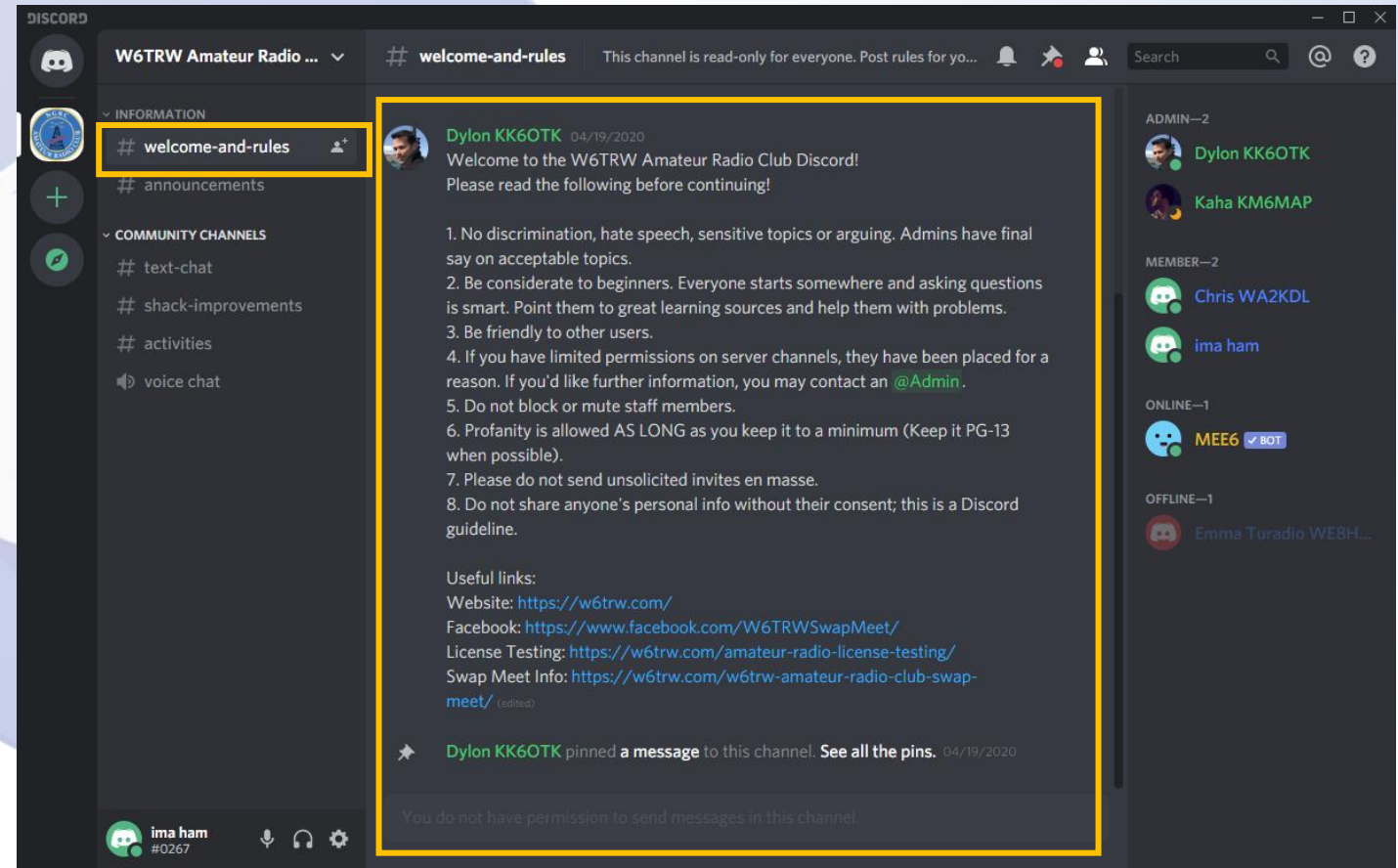
- You should now be in the W6TRW server (this is shown by the white vertical bar next to the W6TRW logo in the left panel)
- To the right of the logo is the channel section. Each channel has a name that makes it easy to separate information
 - A channel can be either a text channel or a voice channel
 - The hash icon (#) shows text channels and the speaker icon shows voice channels





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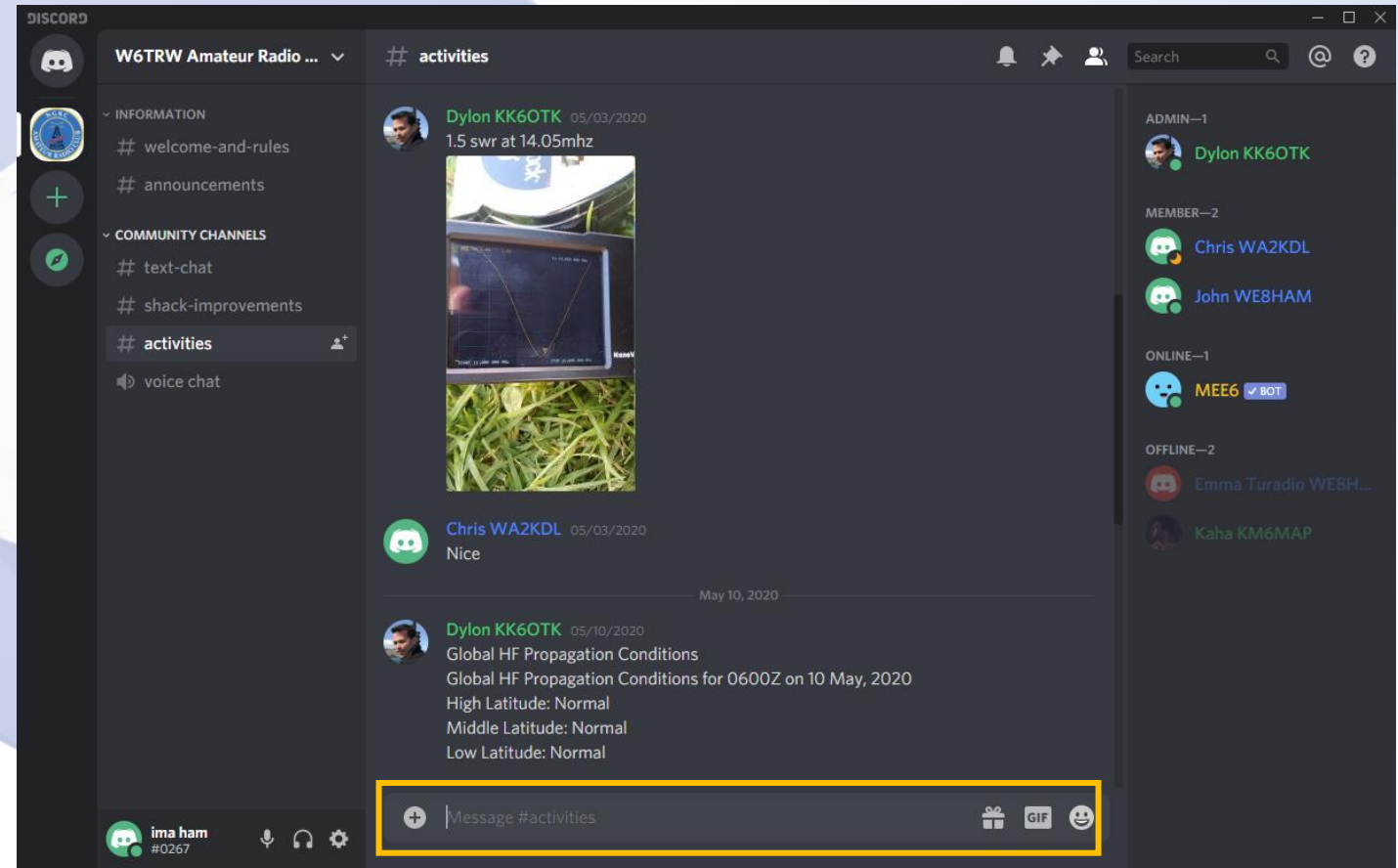
- You should currently be on the **#welcome-and-rules** text channel
- This channel is read-only and has one posting with a message welcoming you, explaining the rules for the server, and listing useful links to W6TRW sites
- Please read the rules :)





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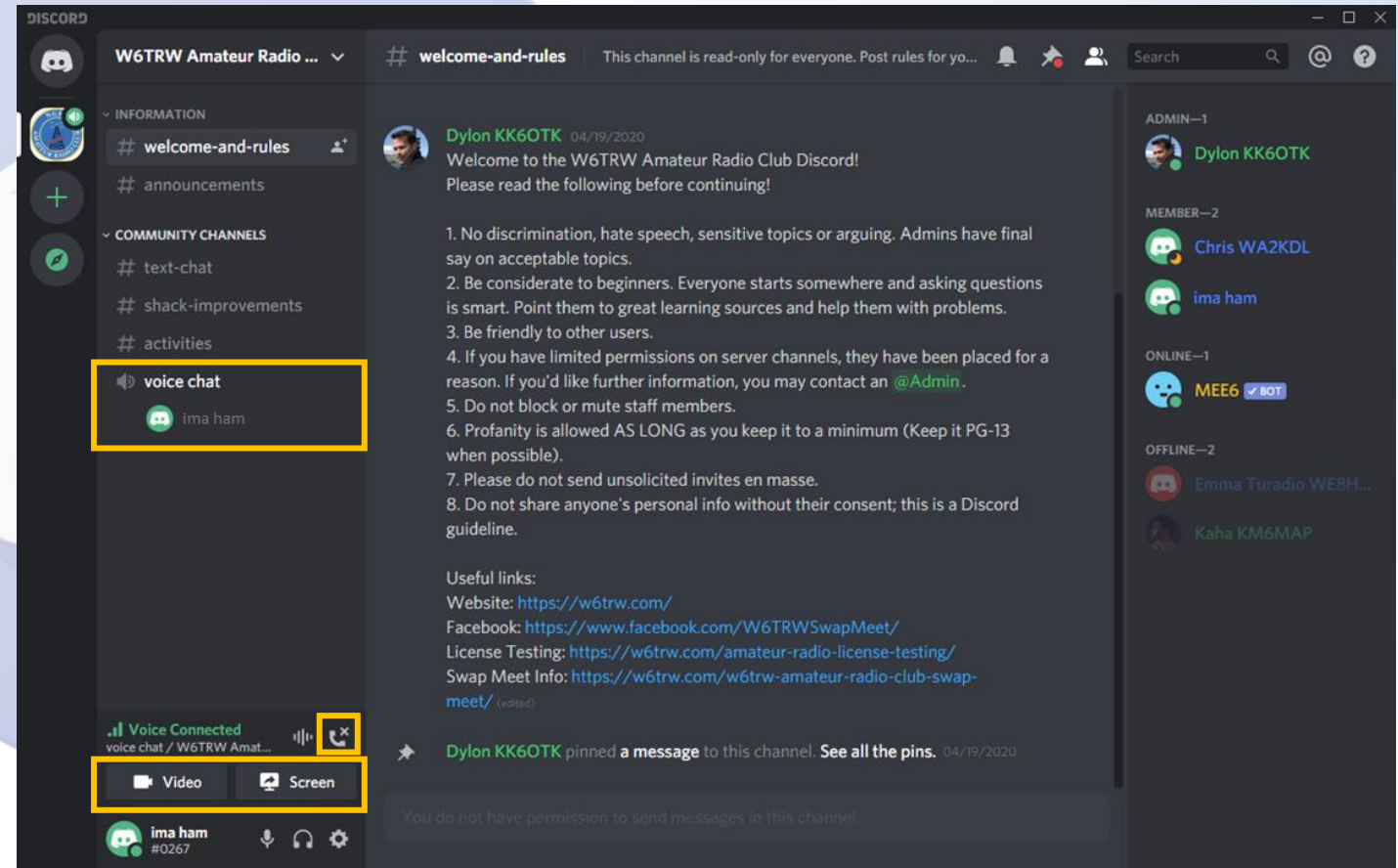
- You can post messages in any of the community text channels with the hash (#) icon
- Clicking on the **#activities** channel shows posts related to that topic
- Underneath, there is a message bar where you can type your message to the channel





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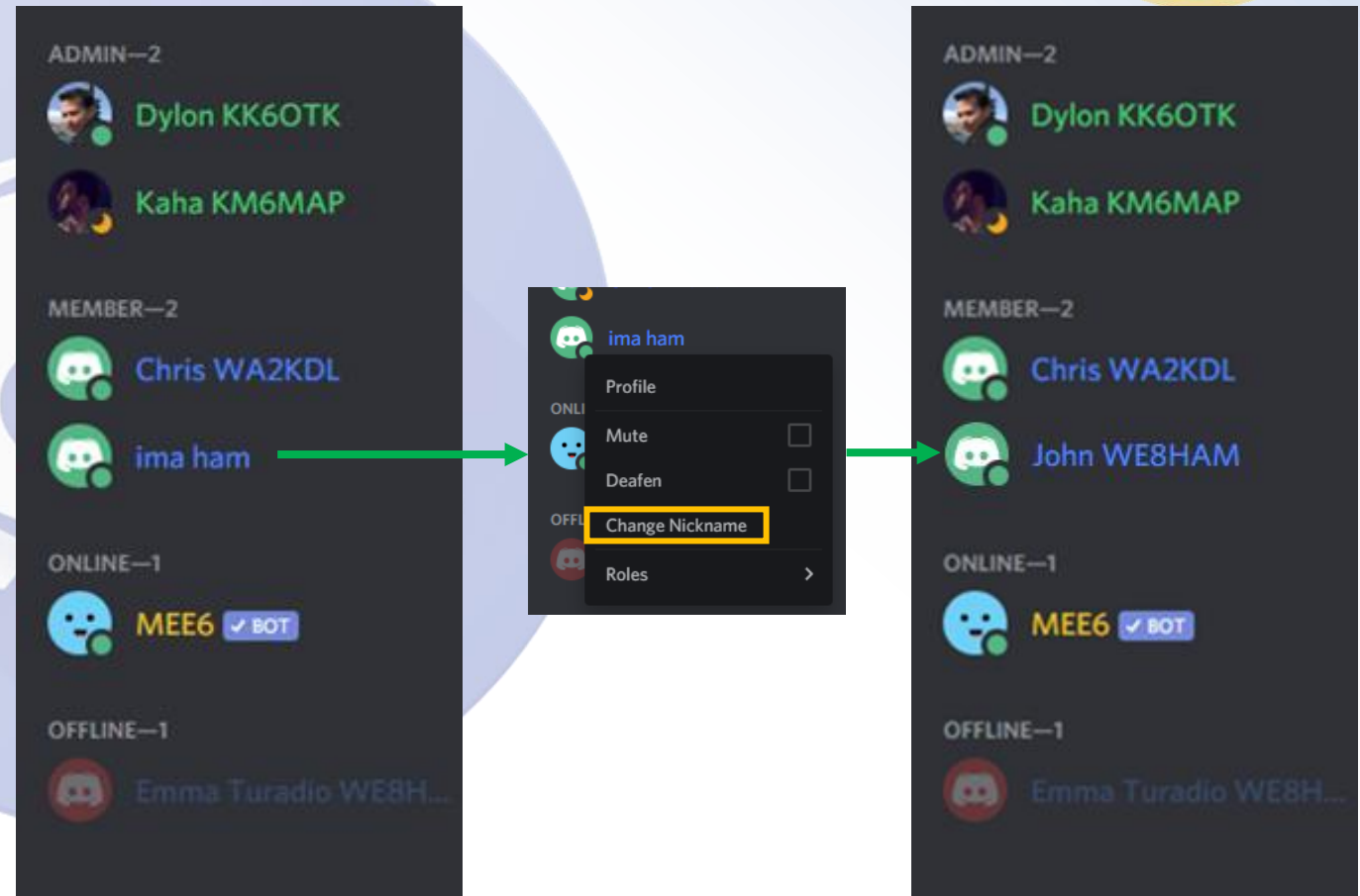
- Clicking on “voice chat” will put you in the voice channel where you can speak live with other members
- Anyone who is in the voice channel will be shown underneath the channel name
- Additionally, video and screen-sharing are supported
- To disconnect, press the hangup icon highlighted in the picture





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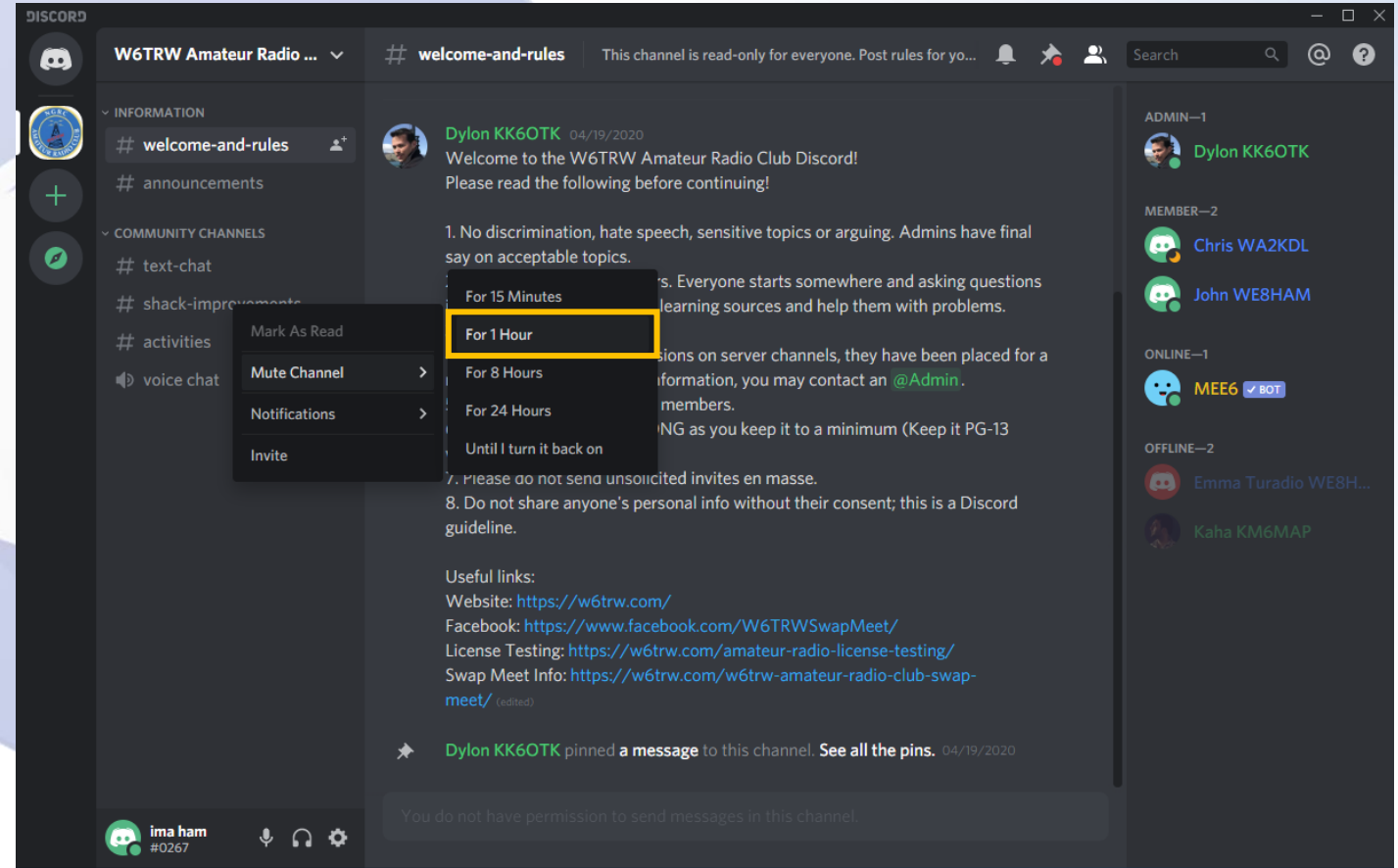
- The rightmost panel shows the names of current members and their status
- To make each member recognizable, it is helpful to use your first name and callsign as your nickname
 - You can do this by right-clicking your name in the right panel and selecting **Change Nickname**





Setup Instructions (cont'd)

- Optional customization to mute channels you do not want to receive notifications about
- Right click any text channel, hover over **Mute Channel**, and select how long to mute
- The example on the right will mute notifications on the **#shack-improvements** channel for 1 hour





Setup Instructions (cont'd)

- At this point, you are set!
- Welcome to the W6TRW Discord server!
- Download the Discord app for Android and iOS to stay even more connected and receive push-notifications

