Monthly Section Emergency Coordinator Report to ARRL Headquarters
ARRL Section: South Texas Month: June Year: 2019
AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members: 1672 Change since last month: 18

DECs/ECs reporting this month: 32

of ARES nets active: # with NTS liaison: 62

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: AD5CQ AE5VV AF5OS K5BV K5DDM K5GOL K5LGV K5RIK K5WEL K7MAL KB5DTS KD4HNX KD5BJ KE5FGA KE5HAM KE5MHJ KF5ACH KF5NIX KF5OYI KG5JRA KG5RXG KW5PA N5MTX N5SBN N5TQ N5TW N5TW/XYL N5WKM NT5CC W0HIP WB5UZZ WD5H

| Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month | 108 | Person hours: | 3046 |
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| Number of public service events this month | 22 | Person hours: | 1331 |
| Number of emergency operations this month | 9 | Person hours: | 454 |
| Total number of ARES operations this month | 310 | Person hours: | 4831 |

SEC

Work on STX webpage updates of ARES Content STX SEC Report generation Work on ARES Connect approvals ARES HF Net Control Duty June 17 Field Day June 22

ASEC Web

Updated the Main Menu, added 3 new articles, created and stored backup copies of the website. Looking into ways to automate the backup process using a Raspberry 4 if/when I can get my hands on one and have it store the backups locally and in the cloud.

ASEC Other

STX Depot web pages and database oversight. Monthly review & stats.

Weekly Depot bounce report for pages sent during each week.

Investigated possibility that EC was not getting email about new registration. Studied mail and DNS topics on web host server.

Added new wireless carrier for Cricket.

Fixed bug causing "Unknown Position" in new Registration message.

ASEC Advisor

Miscellaneous Winlink and local repeaters efforts.

DISTRICT 01

EC Fort Bend County

Field Day operations in RCU in support of Four Club event. RCU deployed to Sugar Land park operating as remote/expeditious location. Personnel participated in setup, ops, and tear down in concert with members of other HAM organizations.

EC Galveston County

Hours for drill, tests and training include 29.5 hours by 3 ARES members supporting the development and maintenance of emergency communications equipment and operating instructions for the city of League City. Also 24 hours by 2 ARES members supporting the continued development of Emergency Communications Go-Kits for Galveston County's Office of Emergency management. Five ARES members provided communications support for Houston's Extreme Weather Expo, 6 ARES members provided communications support for the Sylvan Beach Duathlon and Triathlon, 4 ARES members provided VE support for a monthly VEC test session.

DISTRICT 02

EC Walker County

June 26, local meeting. Discussed digital communications - packet, winmor, and pactor. 4 members in attendance. Further training scheduled to move messaging via digital.

DISTRICT 03

DISTRICT 04

DISTRICT 05

EC Brazos County

We handled the Field Day message traffic for the Bryan ARC using callsign W5BCS. We had 12 ARES members attending Field Day. Mike Wisby and I attended a COM-L class given at the Bryan DPS the last week of June.

EC Grimes County

Did ARRL Field Day, had a good turn out.

EC Leon County

One member moved from the area.

DISTRICT 06

EC Kerr County

Field Day

EC Medina County

DISTRICT 07

DEC

Working on filling the vacant EC position in Bastrop County. Interviewing candidate next week.

EC Caldwell County

hours reported under Hays.

Installed a YAGI antenna for the ARCHES program at EB Davis hospital in an attempt to better signal strength.

EC Lee County

Lee Co ARES participated at the WC Touch a Truck with WCARES, and we had a field trip in lieu of our monthly meeting to the premises of N5TW to look at and learn about his equipment and service. K5DYC passed FEMA 100 and 700, made progress in studying for his general license and improved his radio shack and antenna. KD5BJ reviewed and passed the new versions of IS 100, 700, and 800. KD5BJ participated as BNC in a WC SKYWARN net; participated at other SKYWARN Nets was BNC twice for WCARES net. Also contacted K3RF to make progress on Lee Co ARES 501 (c) 3 and solve issues.

EC Travis County

We had a couple of SKYWARN events in the county this month. One SKYWARN net featured 45 check-ins. We spent several hours with upgrading go-kit, repeater maintenance and field day deployment of our ECT.

EC Williamson County

Two SKYWARN activations this month. One due to three (3) tornado warnings in different parts of the county at the same moment. Quite interesting for a while. No serious damage reported. WCARES members installed remote rigs in the Williamson County EOC ARES room per Emergency Communications request and to free up a couple coax runs. Will be installing an Icom F8081 for SHARES operations in our room to communicate between Emergency Management vehicles RMC3 (comms) and RCV3 (command). Also began install of Icom F8081 and AH740 auto-tune antenna in RCV3 Emergency Management Command Bus for downrange comms via SHARES.

DISTRICT 08

DEC

- 1. Hurricane Planning for Red Cross communications and response for Central and South Texas (41 hours)
- 2. Red Cross Response to OK tornadoes/floods recovery efforts (70 hours)

DISTRICT 09

EC Jasper County

Included man hours for field day. Had a very good field day this year which involved local boy scouts at field day event and training on the use of digital mode for contacts.

EC Newton County

See Jasper county for details and report.

EC Orange County

Public Service Event was at a Cops and Kids for portable EmComm operations and demonstration.

DISTRICT 10

DEC

My antennas are laying on the ground, so I am not able to participate in nets right now.

DISTRICT 12

DISTRICT 13

DEC

This month, our ARES groups participated in 4 VHF nets and 4 HF nets. In addition, Saturdays bring may of our members out to a Koffee Klatch where ham radio discussions and other trainings occur. One of the classes was use was on the use of a compass in preparation for a Grid Search & Rescue exercise that will take place in November.

The month of June has been quiet in the area of events, but we are making preparations for a busy July.

DISTRICT 14

DEC

WebEOC monthly login training June 5 Harris County East CASPER June 8 Wide Area Net June 30

EC Harris-NE County

Lost ARES member as relocated to KY.

EC Harris-NW County

Several members worked the Ready Houston Hurricane Preparedness Workshop. RE-worked antenna mapping at Harris Co EOC. Trying to be as ready as we can.

EC Harris-SE County

Why does Number of Nets with NTS liaison not count toward total number of ARES Operations?

EC Harris-SW County

DISTRICT 15

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