

Prepared and sent weekly paging/bounce report to paging-initiators.
Removed Depot data from old shared-host account.

ASEC Broadband

The area has a broadband meeting to coordinate the ideas between Wilco and Travis/COA. The meeting was chaired by Lee Cooper and had the two ECs and the major player in both counties. The meeting produced a weak agreement of coordination and a direction to proceed. In this respect it was a success. Travis county had several meetings with the head of Austin HSEM to map out where ARES is going in 2018 and where we could be of more use. We had a major internet outage caused by poor planning and poor communication from Spectrum (the ISP). This took a number of manhours by the county and ARES to fix.

DISTRICT 01

EC Brazoria County
finally a link that works! LOL

EC Fort Bend County
Member support for bike ride and for Houston Marathon.

EC Galveston County
The tests and training include 40 hours of volunteer time by 3 ARES members working on emergency communications procedures and equipment for the city of League City and 119 hours of volunteer time by 4 ARES members working on 12 emergency Go-Kits for the Galveston County Office of Emergency Management.

DISTRICT 02

EC Houston County
Due to the local electric company losing all power in Crockett, we were asked to set up our command vehicle at the county sheriff office and jail so they could dispatch from the bus. The new generators at the so/jail would not run. This was one of the nights when the temp was below freezing and raining and sleeting. We set up about 10:00 pm. The power came back on about 1:00 am. We were asked to stay in place until 3:45 am until a generator repairman arrived on scene. Despite the weather conditions everything went smooth.

EC Walker County
Pipeline Seminar for responders. One hour presentation. 5 ARES attended. Skywarn Program. 2 hours. 3 ARES present.

DISTRICT 06

EC Real County

First month as EC. Once repeater is up in Vanderpool hope to increase membership and activity.

EC Uvalde County

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DISTRICT 07

DEC

Travis & Williamson have each purchased Comm Trailers from Texas Military Forces at auction. Emergency operations capability has significantly expended.

EC Lee County

Public event was meeting with Lee County Judge Paul Fisher to introduce LC ARES him and modify the Lee County Emergency plan to include Lee Co ARES. This is the first of a series of future meetings.

EC Travis County

TCARES secured two emergency communications trailers from the Texas Military Forces through AARC.

EC Williamson County

WCARES has purchased a new Emcomm Trailer at Auction at the end of January. We won the bid at \$7600 for a trailer originally configured for the Texas Military Services as a TICP trailer at a cost of many times what we paid. 12KW Onan Diesel Generator, 40' pneumatic mast. configured for Command and Emcomm. Will be outfitting with coms gear now to create a fully deployable unit over the next month. Update on meeting location. WCARES lost incredible assets in Silent Keys this month. one was N5OUJ, Old Uncle James. World War II vet. incredible NTS member that was our NTS liaison. JOhn Stendhal, W5NZE is filling that spot now. Also lost Al Kirchner, long time WCARES member. both will be missed. WCARES is moving our monthly meetings to the City of Georgetown EOC facility beginning on Feb. 8, 2018. City Emergency Manager is our host. Additionally, WCARES is embarking on a series of exercises to determine the best way to employ HF emergency comms voice operations at 25 miles or less. further than VHF siimplex, shorter than most NVIS. Developing this to support county operations for 911 dispatch, POD & Logistics support, in case of long term power outage or destruction of local repeater assets due to disaster. This has created quite a stir of interest with served agencies like Red Cross, and County Emergency Management. Red Cross members will be operating with us on this exercise. --- WCARES had two SKYWARN activation this month for support of Wilco Emergency Management for Winter Weather support.

DISTRICT 09

EC Jasper County

Held on air ARES training in Conjunction with WLARC club in Leesville. Lost one member, gained another for zero net gain.

EC Newton County

See Jasper County report for remaining information.

EC Sabine County

Finished with FEMA this week! Bugs in Public Safety system fixed! Now I can get back to Amateur Radio. Lots of plans to expand our organization this year.

DISTRICT 10

EC Calhoun County

Testing and training on EOC Equipment

EC Goliad County

No Activity

DISTRICT 12

EC Guadalupe County

Tejas Trails Bandera 100K

DISTRICT 14

DEC

WebEOC monthly login training

District 14 meeting Jan 5 for Marathon

STX HF Net control Jan 15

Houston Marathon weekend

Transtar Digital meeting KB2WF

EC Harris-NE County

Question: NE Harris County should list a total of 82 members not 84 as noted in this data base.

January was a busy month. Houston Marathon and 5K contributed to volunteer person hours this month.

EC Harris-NW County

1. 26% of HAM support for Houston Marathon came from Houston NW

2. Two members completed the DPS/DHS COMDEX exercise for both COML and COMT

3. Good Digital activity with 96 total check-ins

EC Harris-SW County

Houston Marathon organized by SW team member Lee Gaspard, WA5QXE, was a huge success. 12 SW team members participated. Event officials recognized and thanked all hams for our participation.

145.19, our primary repeater, is back on the air running with emergency power and good coverage.

The Memorial Hermann hospital system is putting a renewed emphasis on amateur radio disaster teams. We potentially have a huge district-wide recruitment effort coming up.