Monthly Section Emergency Coordinator Report to ARRL Headquarters

ARRL Section: South Texas   Month: October   Year: 2017

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members: 1513  Change since last month:  5
# DECs/ECs reporting this month: 37
# of ARES nets active: 199  # with NTS liaison: 72

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: AB5AS AD5CQ AE5VV AL5J K5BV K5DDM K5GOL K5RIK KB5DTS KD4HNX KD5CQ KE5FGA KE5HAM KE5MJH KF5ACH KF5DDV KF5NIX KF5OYI KF5VIK KG5DLD KG5JRA KK5LO KM5QT N5MDT N5MGC N5MTX N5SMX N5TW/N5XYL N5UMJ N5WKM NT5CC W5DY W5KKL WB5UZZ

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month 86  Person hours: 1185
Number of public service events this month 44  Person hours: 1182
Number of emergency operations this month 5  Person hours: 446
Total number of ARES operations this month 334  Person hours: 2814

Comments:

SEC
Work on STX Webpage updates of ARES content
STX SEC report generation
The EC for Matagorda County in District 10 has retired. We thank Rick Gangluff WB8FVB for his years of service, situational and monthly reports.

ASEC Web
Continued making system updates and making backups as needed. Continue to work on upgrading the Alert Messaging System.

ASEC Other
STX Depot web pages oversight. Monthly review & stats.
Tweaked layout of info-box on map page.

DISTRICT 01

EC Fort Bend County
10 members attended NWS Skywarn training this month.

EC Galveston County
Includes 32 hours of volunteer time by 3 ARES members supporting the development and implementation of emergency communications equipment and procedures for the city of League City and 4 hours of volunteer time by 1 ARES member working on Emergency Communications Go-Kits for Galveston County.
DISTRICT 02

EC Walker County
It is with deep regret that I announce that Rhonda, KF5SIR, became a SK on October 14, 2017. Rhonda was a technician and a CERT team member. Rhonda was one of our NCS operators for planned and emergency operations. Her radio skill was very professional and those in the field had great confidence in her ability to take and deliver requests/messages. A great loss to Amateur radio and Walker Co. CERT.

DISTRICT 05

EC Brazos County
We had our ARRL-SET exercise on Saturday, Oct. 14th. We are planning our communications for the annual Christmas Parade on Dec. 3rd.

EC Grimes County
Did JOTA with Cub Scouts

DISTRICT 07

EC Caldwell County
Tour de Cure support

EC Hays County
Tour de Cure support

EC Travis County
SET held 10/14/2017. Page sent for 1000 start. 19 check-ins on 147.36. Participants instructed to go mobile to one of 19 locations and report the number of tractor trailers observed every 10 minutes on one of two tactical frequencies (one South, one North). Reports total and submitted via Winlink. Set ended at 1137.

DISTRICT 08

DEC
1. Presentation for HLARC monthly meeting (Burnet, Llano, Blanco Counties), prepare, travel, deliver presentation, 6 hours.
2. Disaster Action Team dispatcher: (Red Cross emergencies). 104 hours

EC McCulloch County
Up and down temps not good for health - stay cool and dry. Keep your antenna up!

DISTRICT 09

EC Jasper County
Quiet month for ARES operations. Did a small amount of training at club meeting, which was updating our Emergency Plan for Jasper county with new alternate frequencies.

EC Newton County
See Jasper County for details.
EC Sabine County
With FEMA coordination responsibilities there has been little time for Amateur Radio. Participating in the Jasper weekly net. N5VRP, our radio tech, has programmed the nine Motorola Astro Spectra 110w radios we received from our Sheriff for VFD & Amateur use. Three of the units have been deployed for amateur use and performing extremely well. The rest are being scheduled for installation in Fire Trucks.

EC Tyler County
This month, Tyler County ARES personnel trained on the basic elements of the Incident Command System. One of our goals for FY2018 is to certify our members in the FEMA ICS 100, 200 & 800 modules.

DISTRICT 10

EC Goliad County
No activity

DISTRICT 12

EC Guadalupe County
MS150 RIDE TO THE RIVER, CACTUS ROSE

DISTRICT 14

DEC
1   WebEOC monthly login training 20 participants
2   Transtar Digital meeting KB2WF  20 participants
3   ARRL STX SET Oct 7  27 participants
4   District 14 meeting Oct 16  20 participants
5   STX HF Net control Oct 16 63 participants
6   Bike Around the Bay SAG meeting Oct 18
7   Bike Around the Bay SAG Oct 21  22 participants
8   Bike Around the Bay SAG Oct 22  22 participants
9   Wide Area Net Oct 30 52 participants

EC Harris-NE County
Recovering from flooding reduced number of operations. Volunteers for Wings Over Houston increased monthly man hours for the NE Dist 14.

EC Harris-NW County
Simulated Emergency Test 10/07 25 hrs
N5TCB, AE5MZ, N5WAR, K5PRS, KF5MNJ, WB6HJV, KD5CQ, KW5PA, K5GAC, K5SEK
Wings Over Houston 10/21 14 hrs
KF5MNJ
Wings Over Houston 10/22 24 hrs
AE5MZ, KF5MNJ  21 hrs

EC Harris-SW County
1. Working with Red Cross and Hospital teams to develop AREDN nodes for Red Cross and hospital use
2. Wide Ares Net was run from K5MCH Memorial City Memorial Hermann Hospital in the Southwest Dist 14.
3. Obtained trustee permission to use 442.500 for nets

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