Monthly Section Emergency Coordinator Report to ARRL Headquarters
ARRL Section: South Texas    Month: December    Year: 2016

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members: 1462
Change since last month: -4
# DECs/ECs reporting this month: 42
# of ARES nets active: 265
# with NTS liaison: 74

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: AB5AS AD5CA AD5CQ AE5VV K5BV K5DDM K5LGV K7MAL K7PGC KB5DTS KD5CQ KD5JBT KE5FGA KE5HAM KE5MHJ KE5PWJ KF5ACH KF5DDV KF5OYI KG5JRA KK5LO KM5QT N5HV N5LVQ N5MDT N5MTX N5QZQ N5SBN N5TQ N5TW N5TW/XYL N5UMJ N5WKX NT5CC NV5C W0HIP W5DY W5OE WB5UZZ WB8FVB

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month = 102
Person hours: 1450
Number of public service events this month = 47
Person hours: 374
Number of emergency operations this month = 1
Person hours: 6
Total number of ARES operations this month = 415
Person hours: 1830

Comments:

- SEC
  - Work on STX webpage updates of ARES Content
  - Update content of STX Emergency Plan
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- ASEC Operations
  - Biggest activity this month was moving Winlink reflectors to Google Groups and Winlink board homework.

- ASEC Other
  - Monthly review & stats. Studied odd documents backup, resolved.
  - Studied and fixed bullets in SEC reports monthly reports.
  - Answered user question about reports available to ECs.
  - Revised bounced email analysis.

- D01 Galveston County
  - Includes 25 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.

- D01 Waller County

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SM, SEC, ASEC, DEC and EC’s are copied. Thank you for your input.
• No nets for December 2016

• D02 Houston County
  • Dec. was a slow month for ARES but fast for everything else.

• D02 Walker County
  • *This report based on number of registered operators in the vault which is 11 as of this report.
  • **Emergency Ops consisted of monitoring for DDC Midland during potential snow storm in that area. Made initial contact. Storm was not that severe. No emcomm traffic passed.

• D04 Nueces County
  • skywarn activities

• D05 Brazos County
  • few of us meet at CEOC to test radios weekly. Public service was the annual Christmas Parade. We had 10 ARES members to help and 2 TAMU W5AC members helped. Working on revising comm manual. Planing for Brazos Valley Search and Rescue exercise on Jan. 28th.

• D06 Kerr County
  • Removed two dual memberships from report but not from Roster.

• D07 DEC
  • Counties reporting: Williamson, Travis, Hays, Blanco

• D07 Williamson County
  • ARCHES Packet Cavalry 95 participants 1,780 contacts.
  • WCARES IMT core team is now created and established as my Command And General Staff team. Most are ICS trained in their respective positions. Working closely with Wilco Type III IMT team lead Aubury Holmes, Lt. Special Operations at Wilco EOC. This team is planning for the 2017 full scale operations exercise at the end of February with Williamson County Emergency Operations Communications and associated remote communications equipment such as RMC3 and ARES trailer. Will be deployed across the county February 24, 25, 26 2017. Multiple WCARES members are scheduled to attend the Texas Fores Service All Hazards Incident Management Team Conference in Kerrville on Feb 7 & 8, 2017

• D08 McCulloch County
  • One member gave notice he would no longer be a member of club because he will be moving out of the area. Lose one - gain one, at least that's the plan. As one Ham call sign once said - KAO - Keep Amateurs Operating!

• D09 Orange County
  • Working with the COG, Orange Co. Emergency Management, Orange Co. LEPC and
others to install VHF and UHF antennas and feed lines for amateur radio repeaters on two new tower sites (at 400 ft and 170 ft.) in the Orange County area for added redundancy for local and wide area emergency communication capabilities.

- Also, an upcoming project to complete the Orange Co. EOC - ARES/RACES Radio Room equipment and antenna installation is starting in early 2017. -Rocky Wilson, N5MTX - Orange Co. ARES E.C.

- D09 Tyler County
  - Scaled down activities during December due to Christmas holiday.

- D10 Calhoun County
  - 16 hours working on repeater and EOC equipment

- D10 DeWitt County
  - No activity this month.

- D10 Matagorda County
  - Note 1: Training hours are based on .25 hr/operator for each net session.

- D12 Atascosa County
  - #8 - 3 nights 4 members for 3 hrs each provided parking service for Christmas Village

- D13 Maverick County
  - Happy New Year. 73

- DEC 14
  - WebEOC monthly login training 12/07 - 25 participants
  - TranStar 102 classes 12/03AM, 12/03PM, 12/05 - 14 participants

- D14 Harris-NE
  - 1/4/2017: NE Harris Cty Dist. 14 ARES. Holiday month, not much activity. Contact made with Humble ISD PD to determine status of proposed EOC at PD HQ. Proposal under review and being looked at favorably. AEC Administrator has accepted duty to receive Digital Check INS from NE Unit.

- D14 Harris-NW
  - TranStar 102 Training - KE5FGA (4), WD5JRD, KF5MVP, KW5PA, KG5FAS, K5SEK, AG5GQ, K5GQ, N5TCB (2)

- D14 Harris-SW
  - Primary SW repeater 145.19 still down and has been for months. Targeted to be back on the air in January 2017.

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