

Georgia on My Mind News Letter for June 2018

====> ARES CONNECT TO REPLACE CURRENT MONTHLY REPORTS

ARRL has introduced a new reporting program for ARES ECs and DECs. We currently use our own Georgia ARES system for collecting EC and DEC monthly reports, collate that input into a report, and send it to ARRL. We will continue to use this process for the remainder of 2018 but also transition to the "ARES Connect" online application.

Beginning in 2019 reports will be gathered from what ECs and DECs enter into the "ARES Connect" application. This online application is organized around groups and events where groups are ARES groups – county, MAT, hospital, etc. and events are activities conducted by groups such as drills, nets, ARES supported community events, the SET, real emergencies, - any ARES activity that garners time. ECs and members of their groups can make time entries for a given event.

Some ECs have already registered their groups and some additional ECs received invitations recently to set up their groups. If you are an EC and have not received a link for registering your ARES group, you can go here to register: <http://www.arrl.org/ares-group-id-request-form>

For an overview and a little more detail on the "ARES Connect" online application you can go here:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1AkiWvKNMJJO_HrnQHijUv0WyXGYXI3NZ

Training "how to" videos are available here:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1r9-esR_YroRIIK_46wGK5WwWx_XbrT9I

All Emergency Coordinators and District Emergency Coordinators will only be able to make their reports in "ARES Connect" beginning in 2019 so use this time to become familiar with the application. Register (if you haven't already done so) and enter a couple of your group members, engage them, and configure a few individual events to practice with. Once you're comfortable with navigating the application begin entering your remaining members.

====> GEORGIA ARES LOOKING FOR "ARES CONNECT" SUPER USERS:

Georgia ARES is looking for individuals who are interested in becoming "ARES Connect" power users for supporting this new application for reporting ARES activity in Georgia. If you're interested in helping others get their "ARES Connect" application configured and assisting the EC and his/her support, please let Frank Dean K4SJR SEC (k4sjr@arrl.net) or David Benoist AG4ZR Section Manager (ag4zr@arrl.net) know. Having an intuitive nature for using software or actual support experience is helpful. If you want more information before making a decision, we can give you the necessary access to evaluate the application and take time to become familiar with it before assisting others or making a decision to become more involved. You do not need to be an EC or DEC to provide "ARES Connect" application support. This position holds an ADEC title. Contact David or Frank for discussion and questions if you think you might be interested.

====> A LINK TO THE CODE SECTION FOR THE HANDS-FREE DRIVING LAW

Keep a copy of this link or a printing of this handy.

<https://www.gahighwaysafety.org/highway-safety/hands-free-law/>

====> MORE CLUB RECHARGE::

Get to Know the Neighbors

It's good to know your neighborhood neighbors so they don't mind so much when you put up another antenna. It's better to know your neighboring club neighbors!

They are the first people you can reach out to when you need a little extra help at your next public service event. They are a great resource for program ideas for upcoming meetings. They have members who are skilled in things you may be missing in your club. They are the people most likely to help in an emergency situation.

It was Field Day that got me thinking about how important it is to know your neighbor clubs. We held a joint Field Day with the two clubs where I am a member. Several people commented that they really enjoyed getting to know other operators and working together to accomplish a successful event.

It's easy to get to know your neighbor clubs – just attend a meeting. Every club I've been to (and that list is growing!) enjoys having guests! If you can't make a meeting, hold a special event like a lunch or a mini-field day with a neighboring club. Volunteer if they ask for operators for an event. Check in to nearby club's nets. (Make sure you listen before checking in just in case their net is run differently than what you're accustomed to!) Attend Hamfests in your region and strike up a conversation – you may just find your next club program presenter!

If you are an officer of your club, make it a point to contact officers of nearby clubs and get to know each other. Your amateur radio operating community will be stronger for it.

Renee Conaway
KK4LOJ, Public Information Officer, Georgia Section

====> GILMER AMATEUR LOCATES DOWNED AIRCRAFT::

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1pjlqUDtUa5cLUGbG_mKYbiTiw_iV5BSh

====> SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER REPORT FOR MAY 2018::

GEORGIA SECTION

Public Service Honor Roll (PSHR)
K4GK 110; K4DRS 90

Station Activity Report (SAR) Traffic

K4GK 110; K4BAI 11

Section Nets

Georgia ARES HF Net

QNI 410; QTC 4; Sessions 4; 3975 KHz 2200 UTC Sunday K4GK Net Manager

Georgia ARES Digital Net

QNI 140; QTC 40; Sessions 4; 3583 KHz 2100 UTC Sunday K4GO Net Manager

Georgia Single Sideband Net

QNI 1603; QTC 14; Sessions 31; 3975 KHz 7 PM Daily KE4VPD Net Manager

Georgia Traffic and Emergency Net

QNI 947; QTC 10; Sessions 31 3982.5 KHz 7:15 PM Daily KI4NGD Net

Manager

Georgia Cracker Net

QNI 575 QTC 7 Sessions 31 Mon-Sa & 8 AM Sun 3995 KHz AF4XZ Net Manager

Georgia Training Net (GTN)

QNI 140 QTC 6 Sessions 31 3549 KHz 9 PM Daily WE4GA Net Manager

Georgia State Net (GSN)

QNI 340 QTC 180 Sessions 62 3649 KHz 7 PM & 10 PM Daily K4GK Net
Manager

Charles Pennington, K4GK

Section Traffic Manager

Georgia Section

====> MONTHLY SECTION EMERGENCY COORDINATOR REPORT::

Report to ARRL Headquarters

ARRL Section: GA Month: MAY Year: 2018

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members: 1464, since last month= -24 reported (+,
-, or same)

of DECs/ECs reporting this month: 74, # of ARES nets active: 432, #
with NTS liaison: 25

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: see below

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month: 1052 Person
hours: 4362

Number of public service events this month: 25 Person hours: 769

Number of emergency operations this month: 7 Person hours: 63

Total number of ARES operations this month: 1084 Person hours: 5194

Comments: see below

Signature: Thomas Fuller Call sign: KE4QCM

Please send to ARRL HQ, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 by 10th of the
month FSD-96 (1-04)

(Reported to ARRL)

* 1464 members reported, 1488 from last report, with -24 reported by
EC's

ASECs/DECs/ECs reporting

ASEC/DECs:

DEC Air Force/MARS/WB4BDP, DEC Central/WB4NKU, DEC Digital Comm/K4TLG,
DEC East Central/K4BR, DEC GEMA/K5AES, DEC Handiham/N0FBV, DEC Metro

Atlanta/W4IGE, DEC National Weather Service/Charleston/KB1WEI, ADEC
National Weather Service/Peachtree City/KG4PZI, DEC Northwest/AF4DN, DEC
Salvation Army/WA4UJC, ASEC Education and Validation/AC4MG, DEC
Southeast/KK1JE

ECs:

Central:

Baldwin/K4DRS, Bibb/W4JMB, Crawford/WB4NKU, Dodge/KG4WQZ, Greene/KM4LFT,
Houston/WB4EEL, Jasper/KM4JEX, Johnson/KM4AUG, Jones/N5BI, Lamar/N5FBI,
Laurens/K4DBN, Macon/KI4BEO, Monroe/KK4TLG, Peach/KK4WTO, Pulaski/N4TUA,
Putnam/AF4MM, Taylor/KK4RQB, Twiggs/KK4NUV, Upson/KT4YP,
Washington/K4GK, Wilkinson/WB4FNG

East Central:

Burke/K4BR, Columbia/K1OYQ, Jenkins/W4EIZ, Richmond/NY3Y

Metro Atlanta:

Atlanta/KJ4GUY, Butts/K3GWK, Cherokee/KK4YQV, Clayton/AJ4GT, Cobb/KT4ED
Coweta/N9GQA, Fayette/KN4YZ, Gwinnett/W4IGE, Newton/WA4UJC, North
Fulton/KK4PCR, Paulding/K4DMF, Rockdale/WN4JC

Northeast:

Barrow/KJ4EX, Clarke/N4ZRA, Hall/AF4GT, Morgan/KM4LS, Towns/KF5TPQ,
Walton/KJ4NMO, White/KR4AE

Northwest:

Bartow/KC4DGX, Floyd/KA5QFI, Gilmer/KK4NTC, Gordon/AF4DN, Pickens/K4SJR,
Whitfield/K4HYJ

South Central:

Lanier/KG4YUS

Southeast:

Appling/W4WDT, Bryan/KK1JE, Chatham/K4SDJ, Effingham/KK1JE,
Evans/KJ4VIG, Liberty/K4YPM, Toombs/KG4BKO

Southwest:

Dougherty/W4AYK, Thomas/KK4ZYC

West Central:

Troup/N4VPI

Comments:

ASEC/DECs:

DEC Air Force/MARS/WB4BDP, In mid-May, we had a Quarterly Communications Exercise (COMEX). This one was very different in that there was no real plan except for start/stop times and restrictions. Net schedule, traffic management, and tasking was a plan as you go effort. The results did show a need for a standing operating procedure. We are still in need of new members. If you are interested in AF MARS, contact, AFS4GA@afmarsR4.org. We can also forward requests for Army MARS to them. Submitted by WB4EEL AF MARS State Director

DEC Central/WB4NKU, Our emergency was a special meeting during the Tropical Storm Alberto event with all Crawford Co. Agencies called by Crawford EMA. Most of the time was spent working with the ECs on various problems and also encouraging growth in new ARES members.

DEC Digital Comm/K4TLG, PSK TRAFFIC NET 42 CHECK-INS. 97% COMPLIANCE WITH ICS 213 PSK Central District 26 Check-ins.

DEC East Central/K4BR, Recruited Peter Cunningham, KM4ZQG to "head up" ARES® activities in Jefferson County as Assistant Emergency Coordinator. I revamped our csraares.com website updating and adding a lot of information.

DEC GEMA/K5AES, Contacted military facilities during the Armed Forces Day Cross Band Test...Ft Huachuca, Naval Academy, & USS Yorktown MARS station. Participated in monthly Spec Ops webinar.

DEC National Weather Service/Charleston/KB1WEI, Participated in 7 Regular ARES Nets and 4 GA Health Nets. I also activated 1 Weather Net (Skywarn) in Chatham and Effingham for a storm that passed through during the month. Participation as ARES representative in Region J Hospital Coalition meeting and the Region J Emergency Simulation as an ARES Radio operator out of Memorial Hospital

ADEC National Weather Service/Peachtree City/KG4PZI, There were no Skywarn activations for May 2018 (nor for April).

DEC Northwest/AF4DN, Normal activities this month.

DEC Salvation Army/WA4UJC, Thank you, everyone, who checks into the SATERN Nets. Please go to www.SATERN.org for information for the SATERN program.

ASEC Education and Validation/AC4MG, 1. Processed 8 incoming ID Card requests. Total Active GA ARES ID Cards = 274. 2. Monthly Cabinet Meeting

DEC Southeast/KK1JE, We are also linking a growing number of repeaters together for the District ARES net on Tuesday evenings. It can be joined on Echolink 738635. The district now has a 16-foot communications trailer and we are currently working on getting it outfitted.

ECs:

Central:

Baldwin/K4DRS, The 146.700 repeater has been relocated and should be

on-air by the end of the week. Had a productive meeting with the EMA director and we are negotiating an MOU. Cleaned up member database and marked appropriate members as inactive or archived.

Bibb/W4JMB, Nothing to report for April. No activations or workdays. Storm systems seem to be ramping up. Most likely will be a busy May.

Crawford/WB4NKU, Thanks to KJ4DFP, KM4HOZ, WB4NKU, KM4JCP, W1LQJ, KK4BHS, W4BCO, KM4MFM, K4RAD, W2VP. Good Job by all inc. WB4NKU

Dodge/KG4WQZ, We had 7 people representing Dodge County at the Three Rivers ARC meeting – Teri Burton, Steve Burton, Billy Walker, John Fickler, Paula Selph, Raymond Brost, and Mel Frerking as members. Doc Stevens gave a presentation on Emergency Power options. Chris has continued the process to become a liaison for ARRL testing with the Three Rivers Club. The completed display board to promote Amateur Radio was placed on display at another Dodge Elementary School. Teri and Steve Burton helped out at the Jug Fest Run in Knoxville. Teri Burton was NCS for 3 nets for the month. Dodge hams experienced much sadness in May. Jimmy Joines lost his home to fire, Steve Burton lost his mother, and Chris Graham lost his brother. (Chris is a member of Dodge and Laurens ARES so he decides which activities to report to which County.)

Greene/KM4LFT, Significant events in May: * Tony Nuetzi, founder of the Piedmont Amateur Radio Emergency Services, passed away on 5/24/18 * The first ever VHF check-in to the GA State Hospital NET from St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital in Greene County • Continued our lobbying effort for HB555 with governor hopeful Brian Kemp

Houston/WB4EEL, The monthly Tri-County meeting was held May 24. Eight members from Houston County were present. On May 22 Houston County Medical Center and Medical Center Navicent Health conducted a joint exercise. The exercise was a mass casualty exercise base on an airplane crash at Middle Georgia Regional Airport. Casualties were evacuated to both Houston Medical Center Warner Robins and Medical Center Navicent Medical in Macon. Since normal communications were unaffected, we did not provide operational communication support. ARES members observed the exercise to become more familiar with hospital operations during emergencies. They also became more familiar with the equipment in the radio room. KJ4MYF, KM4QAV, WB4EEL, KC4JIR, and WB4BDP from the hospital support team participated.

Jones/N5BI, Great month. Several of our members are working on their IC certifications. Thanks to everyone for all the hard work. We appreciate you all very much.

Lamar/N5FBI, Competed for expansion of operational area in EOC with new furniture. The new area is approx.1.5 times the previous space. Completion of grounding effort should take place in June.

Laurens/K4DBN, This month we have two things worthy of note. (1) KW4DOC presented a program at our club meeting on emergency power with emphasis on solar. "DOC'S" program was very informative. (2) Upgrades were made to the Cedar Grove Repeater that has made a noticeable improvement in its performance.

Macon/KI4BEO, KI4BEO, KI4KHC, KK4RQE, KK4RQH, and KN4HXS attended the LEPC meeting.

Monroe/KK4TLG, Not much to report this month. K4TLG participated in the MCV Exercise on 5/2 and 3, 2018 K4TLG and KM4YSA attended the MCARS meeting.

Peach/KK4WTO, Thanks to the Peach Co. ARES members who operated the Peach Co Hospital radios during the monthly Hospital net. WA4RG Rick Gunderman, AEC Peach Co. WA4NKU Sonny Gilbert DEC Central Dist .WA4JGH John Hughes AEC Peach Co. and KK4WTO Floyd Malone EC Peach.

Pulaski/N4TUA, We are working on our net participation.

Taylor/KK4RQB, Trying to attract new members for Taylor county ARES. Studying EC manual.

Upson/KT4YP, Operated at URMIC for monthly Hospital Net, VE session at Wellstar Hospital in Griffin

East Central:

Burke/K4BR, Recruited Peter Cunningham, KM4ZQG to "head up" ARES® activities in Jefferson County as Assistant Emergency Coordinator. I revamped our csraares.com website updating and adding a lot of information.

Columbia/K1OYQ, We had four nets - 25 man-hours. EC Admin time reviewing and updating the database - 2 man-hours. Spent 2 hours working with EMA this month. Worked on June presentation and demonstration - 5 hours. Checked into the hospital net on reflector 30B on 5/27. Preps are being made for FD!

Jenkins/W4EIZ, No real new developments this month. Still working with ema director on getting new equipment up and running.

Richmond/NY3Y, K4ECL has been appointed as Net Control for our Net. Now have VHF nets every Sunday. Many operators plan on attending the ARES presentation in mid-Jun at the Columbia County EOC. Richmond county ARES membership is being updated to reflect current status/supporting documents are being uploaded. Emails to be sent to inactive members notifying them of the intent to be placed on inactive status or removed if minimum training requirements are not met.

Metro Atlanta:

Atlanta/KJ4GUY, Public Service Event hours are for Grady Hospital Foundation bike ride support.

Butts/K3GWK, 15 members attended the monthly training, a presentation by John Lipscomb, KA3SME, on Echolink. Our ARES Team provided communication support for the 2018 Jackson Football Alumni 5K race: AJ4GU, AK4EM, K3GWK, K4NEP, KA3ZPM, KJ4PLJ, KK4BKF, KK4QJR (NCS), KK4SUO, KM4NRP, KM4PKD, KM4VPX, KW4AQ, NI2Y, and W4DED. The hospital team operated K4SGH at Sylvan Grove Hospital during the monthly net: KK4BKF, KM4HOS, KM4NRP, W4DED. The Butts County VE team held a successful session, Dan Edwards

is now KN4MMN. Ten nets and four NBEMS training sessions were held on the WX4BCA repeater (Tuesday at 19:30 Local). Our ARES team also supports the GA and Butts County Depts. of Public Health by providing operators for the Thursday morning D-Star net. 170 total ham hours, value \$4,197.30

Cherokee/KK4YQV, 4 nets and 1 drill with 125 participants totaling 173.5 hrs. 1 Public Service Event with 4 folks for 160 hours. Total time 333.5 hrs worth \$8,337.50 of volunteer time. Cherokee ARES supported the 2018 GEMA MCV Exercise with 4 folks and COMM Trailer at Lake Lanier, May 1-4,2018. During this time, the 4 ARES members supported a Public Safety Team of MCV's with tasks and interoperable communications, utilizing their previous ICS training and skills Incident Command. Thanks for a very successful event and support.

Cobb/KT4ED, No special activity for the month of May. Plans for June are in place.

Coweta/N9GQA, Supported GEMA MCV Exercise; GHA Region C Coalition Meeting and Tabletop Session and Pandemic Exercise Planning; VeloCity Bicycle Event Support.

Fayette/KN4YZ, The month started with the MCV exercise up at Lake Lanier Islands. A couple of our E-911 operators (who are also Hams), made the journey to study communications vehicles in preparation for our own. W8BYH completed ICS 100, 200, 700, & 800 and qualified for the ARES badge. WD4GTY volunteered with the Red Cross at the UGA graduation. KN4YZ, WD4GTY, and KV4UD worked on the upcoming Balloon Festival scheduled for June 9. We had the usual section level meetings for AG4ZR and KN4YZ and the usual nets.

Gwinnett/W4IGE, Our meeting program in May was WebEOC and training members on radio equipment in our EOC radio room. Antenna cable installation is proceeding at the Duluth hospital and hopefully, we will have a functioning radio station shortly.

Newton/WA4UJC, We continue to assist the Newton/Covington 911 Center by deploying several operators each week to weather siren locations and reporting to the NCS the condition of their operation. This information is forwarded to the 911 center. We have been doing this for over 5 years and as a result, the system has become more reliable. We had two public service operations this month(Newton County Family Fun Day and the Cheerios Challenge race). We have changed our meets from once each month to once a quarter. April will be the first quarterly meeting.

North Fulton/KK4PCR, Work on our normal digital training this month focusing on FLDIGI & FLMSG 213. RMS and winlink set up and practice

Paulding/K4DMF, Our big event in May was our participation for the 10th year in the annual GEMA Interoperability exercise held this year at Lake Lanier. Our team had 4 participants with our trailer. Even after 10 years of doing these exercises, we learn something new at every one of them and are able to help others less experienced to overcome their obstacles. There were a couple of tasks that were not possible for us to complete. One was a frequency that was not in our range of capability and the other was related to poor HF band conditions. Overall it was an

exceptionally well organized and well-executed exercise with many more players and several new tasks for us to complete. We tested a mesh network within our team environment and it worked well, but we were not able to make it work over the longer distances with other teams as they were spread out over a couple of miles in hilly terrain. Perhaps if we had antennas higher up to overcome the steep terrain, it might have made a difference. As always, the greatest value of these exercises is the establishment of relationships that are critical in real-world emergencies. It sets up an environment of trust and knowledge of the capabilities of each team. We continue to be active in the monthly hospital nets and are making plans for upcoming special events to continue to utilize our trailer and get members involved in the deployment and operation of it. On an administrative note, we are switching from yahoo groups to groups.io for our routine notices to members. In the process of changing over, we are cleaning up the roster and removing inactive members so in the next month or two, we are anticipating a reduction in the number of members reported. This does not mean we are less capable, it only means our roster will more closely resemble the actual participating members. We have also appointed James Akey KM4IKO to be AEC for membership. In this role, James will be active in recruiting new members for PC ARES and try to get more active members to participate in our events and not just check into the nets. We would rather have a smaller and active group of participants than a larger group of names on a roster that don't participate. We are anxious to support James as he takes on this new challenge to help us grow PC ARES.

Rockdale/WN4JC, WX4RCA finally has an EMA sponsored 440 repeater ! may thanks to all who made this possible and especially state AES leadership for their support. Now to start planning for Sept 2018 County Emergency Preparedness Event.

Northeast:

Barrow/KJ4EX, Quiet Month (except for all the rain and water), watching the weather, planning for Field Day, will be active as WR4BC. de Bill KJ4EX.

Hall/AF4GT, The May meeting included a discussion of the four levels of protection of equipment and facilities subjected to an electromagnetic pulse (EMP). The information presented can be found in a Department of Homeland Security paper, "Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Protection and Restoration Guidelines for Equipment and Facilities," dated December 22, 2016. Levels 1 and 2 are for organizations where hours of mission interruptions can be tolerated and for which "cost to harden" is a critical factor. Level 3 guidelines are appropriate for organizations which can only tolerate a few minutes of mission outages. Level 4 guidelines are for organizations/missions that cannot tolerate more than a few seconds of an outage and where lives and essential services/functions are at stake. The Hall County EMA Director asked Hall County ARES to report rainfall amounts from Subtropical Depression Alberto. Operators measured rainfall amounts at their home stations and submitted reports at 0800, 1400, and 2000 daily from May 28-30 and 0800 on May 31. Rainfall amounts were entered in the Storm Spotter board of Hall County WebEOC which made the information available to all County agencies. The ARES team gained valuable experience and impressed the

Director with it professionalism and thoroughness. Participants were Ed Proctor, W4ELP; Joe Martin, KN4IEB; Brian Willard, K4BCW; Doug Parmenter, KK4FZT; Paul Cheek, KS4XR; and Ron Harris, AF4GT. The weekly training net is conducted on the alternate repeater, W4TL, 145.31, minus offset, tone 123.0, on the last Wednesday of each month.

Morgan/KM4LS, Planning for a low-key, 1F operation for FD2018. K2MGL. N4FJR. WA4DUP, KA1VOL, K1ALF have committed to putting WR4MC on-the-air to once again demonstrate the use and effectiveness of Ham Radio "...When all else fails". KM4LS, AEC, continues on the mend with his bout with cancer #3. K2MGL is improving every day after his hernia surgery in late April. This year's FD will see the use of the donated laptop, all loaded and ready to go for FD18.

Towns/KF5TPQ, We have updated our members' list and updated the GA ARES Database. We are currently preparing for the installation of radio equipment at Chatuge Regional Hospital, and this will be a priority for integration and testing over the next couple of months.

Walton/KJ4NMO, Everything was pretty quiet this month. We are preparing for our field day activities. We hope that everyone had a great Memorial Day.

White/KR4AE, Conducted an ARES/Skywarn weather reporting net during the flooding in White County on 5/31.

Northwest:

Floyd/KA5QFI, Attended and participated in this quarter's Local Emergency Planning Committee for Floyd County. We. Heard detailed weather briefings and background on the Weather Service. A personal note, during the early morning of 26 May an isolated super rain downpour caused a ditch and run off area on the rear of my property cause almost 2 feet of water to flood my neighbor's and my yards. Causing not only our garages but several of our automobiles to sustain heavy water damage including the loss of an ICOM 5100 mounted under the passenger seat of my car. But we press on, radio replaced and G5RV is back in place.

Gilmer/KK4NTC, Gilmer Fox Hunt exercises, Calhoun Ham Fest

Gordon/AF4DN, Normal activities this month.

Whitfield/K4HYJ, May began the serious weather for the summer. Whitfield and Murray jointly conducted 2 emergency/Skywarn nets this month (both on the same day!). May also began preparations for the 2018 Georgia Jewel. Whitfield County ARES will coordinate the radio support activities for the race this year. Field Day is coming up in June and Whitfield ARES and the Dalton Amateur Club will be at Smith Chapel Methodist Church this year. There will be some digital mode demonstrations along with HF voice operations. Until next month - 73.

South Central:

Lanier/KG4YUS, LOWNDES/LANIER COUNTIES DATE: CHECK-IN: SIMPLEX:
ECHOLINK: HAMWAN: 05/03/2018 12 REPEATER 9 05/10/2018 12 REPEATER 9 2 1
05/17/2018 11 REPEATER 12 1 1 05/24/2018 10 REPEATER 5 2 1 05/31/2018 12

REPEATER 8 1 NTS/EMERGENCY TRAFFIC: NEGATIVE PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS:
NEGATIVE TRAINING: CONTINUING WORK WITH LOCAL HAMS ON ARES CERTIFICATION
AND ID REQUIREMENTS. MEETINGS: 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH 6PM TM POLYFILM
BUILDING GIL HARBIN IND BLVD VALDOSTA SGMC LANIER AND LOWNDES CAMPUS'
DO-NOT HAVE DSTAR OR HF STATIONS. CONTINUING TO WORK WITH SGMC TO LOCATE
POSSIBLE MISSING EQUIPMENT AND SCHEDULE MEETING WITH SGMC STAFF.
(KF4GTA) LOCAL HAMS ARE GETTING GREAT PRACTICE DRILL ACTIVITY ON WEEKLY
SIMPLEX NETS WITH RELAYING CHECK-IN TRAFFIC, SIGNAL REPORTS AMONGST
PARTICIPANTS. NO REPORTS FROM OTHER COUNTIES IN DISTRICT STILL NEED
MASTER LIST FOR DISTRICT AND ACCESS TO DATABASE! (MULTIPLE REQUESTS FOR
THIS) NO RESPONSE FROM EC/AEC I WAS ABLE TO LOCATE EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF APPLING COUNTY 8. Approved by: WINSTON MILLER
Position/Title: DEC SOUTH CENTRAL [KG4YUS]

Southeast:

Appling/W4WDT, In talks with some local hams to see if I can add to our
group here in Appling County. In talks about starting our 2-meter ARES
net back. Kinda waiting to see if the repeater we were using is going to
get fixed. Overheating problem. I may try a simplex net to start off
with like before. 73!

Bryan/KK1JE, Combined county operation Bryan and Effingham County. Our
net now links repeaters in Kingsland, Claxton, Wrens, and Effingham for
our Tuesday evening district ARES net.

Chatham/K4SDJ, We just completed a region J Full-Scale Exercise in which
we had 7 hospitals operational with HF, and D-STAR or VHF radio. Those
without D-STAR were able to relay traffic in via other sites to the RCH
in Savannah,. It was a good exercise even though both D-STAR repeater
systems were offline during the exercise.

Effingham/KK1JE, Combined county operations, Bryan and Effingham. Our
net now links repeaters in Kingsland, Claxton, Wrens, and Effingham for
the Tuesday evening District ARES Net.

Evans/KJ4VIG, Evans County ARES net is done through repeater linking by
Echolink. To TeamRadioGa ARES Net Tuesday 1900 hours -146.745 pl 97.4 /
Echolink 738635

Liberty/K4YPM, No local net this month, only checked in to those nets
listed. Also, 2 operators participated in the May Region IX Hospital
Hurrex.

Toombs/KG4BKO, Participated in The Region J Receiving Hospital drill

West Central:

Troup/N4VPI, Troup Co ARES attended Storm Spotter Training hosted by the
Troup County EMA. A total of 15 ARES members participated in the
training. A total of eight members participated in the local Baby Walk
in LaGrange providing radio communications for the event. Troup County
ARES has a two meter net on Monday at 9:00 pm on the local two-meter
repeater, a PSK DIGITAL NET at 9:15 on 3583, 1500 offset, psk 63, and
now a DStar NET on Ref 030B through the Warm Springs DStar Repeater at
8:30 pm. All of the above NETS are on MONDAY.

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