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

Total number of ARES members: 1606

Change since last month: 7

DECs/ECs reporting this month: 33

of ARES nets active: 160

with NTS liaison: 79

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: AD5CQ AE5VV AF5OS K5BV K5DDM K5GOL K5LGV
K5RIK K7MAL KB5DTS KD4HNX KD5BJ KE5FGA KE5HAM KE5MHJ KF5ACH
KF5MOH KF5NIX KF5OYI KG5JRA KG5RXG KW5PA N5MDT N5MGC N5MTX
N5RZQ N5SBN N5TQ N5TW/XYL W5DY WB5UZZ WD5H

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| Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month | 105 | Person hours: | 3208 |
| Number of public service events this month | 52 | Person hours: | 1343 |
| Number of emergency operations this month | 0 | Person hours: | 0 |
| Total number of ARES operations this month | 317 | Person hours: | 4551 |

SEC

Work on STX webpage updates of ARES Content

STX SEC Report generation

Work on ARES Connect approvals

San Antonio Radio Fiesta ARES Forum Jan 12

Eric Schmidt, KA5WMY appointed EC for Brazoria County

Michael Marks, KG5RXG appointed EC for Travis County

Sid Tschirhart, WD5H appointed EC for Medina County

ASEC Web

Created and downloaded weekly backups of the ARRLSTX.org website. Followed up on website emails. Researching new template for the website and looking for new articles/content.

ASEC Other

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

Fixed bug preparing ARRL SEC Report to use newest SEC monthly report in case of re-submission.

DISTRICT 01

EC Fort Bend County

Weekly nets with training and monthly conference with training. Noted several members added to my roster who are not in my area.

EC Galveston County

Drills, tests and training include 32 hours of volunteer time by 3 ARES members supporting the development, implementation and maintenance of emergency amateur radio communications equipment and procedures for the city of League City.

DEC Montgomery County

Packet, Winlink, NCS, and CIC training this month. 2 new members, 1 Silent Key (W5WP)

DISTRICT 02

EC Houston County

We are getting ready to furnish communications for the DAVY CROCKETT CLASSIC bike race. This event is put on by Topview Sports once a year. It's an 80-mile event. It is scheduled for Feb. 9 & 10. We will use our communication bus and several members vehicles with radios.

DISTRICT 03

DISTRICT 04

DISTRICT 05

EC Brazos County

We discussed how we help in serving the CEOC, Red Cross, DDC. We talked how to help the CERT group with their communication class. We talked about working with our ATV equipment at the CEOC.

DISTRICT 06

EC Medina County

Winter Field Day, emergency operation mobile/battery

DISTRICT 07

DEC

Williamson ARES is working in partnership with Williamson County Emergency Management and Emergency Communications to plan a joint functional exercise with Lee County to demonstrate public safety and Amateur Radio communications in the event of communications failure in Lee County.

EC Caldwell County

hours and events combined and reported under Hays Co. as it is a combined club

EC Hays County

initiated monthly ARCHES operational checks at Seton MC Hays.
Trained new ARCHES operator CTMC San Marcos.

EC Lee County

Training includes TCARES and WCARES and monthly drill (on to go kits). Public service included hours spent in weekly meetings for BAIT 2019 at WC ESOC and EmComm breakfast meetings, meeting with Lee County officials, once with WC ARES team and then by myself, and hours spent on working on the BAIT plan and ICS forms. It also includes helping getting repeater from Bastrop, working and starting on website, ByLaws for LCARES, and learning/strategizing about administering men hours and other administrative related issues.

EC Travis County

General Meeting hands on training on using Winlink Express and gave a briefing on ARES Connect. The Emergency Communications Trailer (ECT) fuel tank was drained, flushed and refilled. Tested ECT radios by successfully completing Pactor 3, Winmor 1600 and ARDOP 2000 connections on 40 meters with stations at 100, 300, and 450 mile distance. Installed and programmed an Icom IC-880H D-Star radio for added capabilities.

EC Williamson County

January finds WCARES in the throws of planning several events through beginning of June this year. Currently consumed with being the IMT for BAIT 2019 (Basic Assessment of Interoperability and Telecommunications) SET with both Williamson County and Lee County Emergency Management, Emergency Communications, WCARES, LCARES, Lee County Sheriff, County Judge, Giddings Police, Fire. 911 dispatch. Met with Lee County officials listed on Jan 9. We presented our approach to the exercise and garnered their participation. This is a joint operation with Lee County ARES EC as part of our IMT. This event will include Williamson County OEM and Emergency Communications assets, RMC3 comms unit, ESU1, Comms unit, CV3, OEM command unit, WCARES Emcomm Trailer. This is an event where a derailed train wiped out Lee County Comms, and Wilco + WCARES + LCARES responds to provide back up Comms. This is a requested training event from the Lee County Judge. WCARES and Wilco EM & EC will be operating as a Unified Command in this event as a training evolution for deployment. Needless to say, taking quite a bit of our time for planning event, which is

scheduled for March 8&9. In this process, WCARES LSC Greg Fuqua has been reconfiguring the go kits at Wilco ESOC to be used at event, and we have been training on deploying these three units, including Winlink VHF, in prep for the event with all members.

DISTRICT 08

DEC

Prepared materials to teach disaster operations mapping to Red Cross

DISTRICT 09

EC Jasper County

Lots of rain the last month in SE. Texas. On alert for potential flooding situations. No winter field day for our club, but observed other local clubs holding winter field day.

EC Newton County

See Jasper County

EC Orange County

Had 2 very successful work days in January at the Orange Co. EOC installing VHF, UHF and HF antennas, feedlines and radios. EOC Radio Room is now fully functional and ready for service.

DISTRICT 10

DEC

Due to band conditions, "attending" the net does not always mean participating sure gets dumb feeling to explain to spouse why I sit in front of radio for an hour and listen to static

EC Goliad County

No Activity

DISTRICT 12

DISTRICT 13

DEC

Our members met on a Saturday morning and setup a cross-band repeater using a Yaesu FT-8900R and 4 HTs. Results were successful and fulfilled one of the requirements in the ARES Task Book.

DISTRICT 14

DEC

WebEOC monthly login training Jan 2

Houston Marathon weekend training Jan 5

Houston Marathon 5K Jan 19
Houston Marathon Jan 20
District 14 meeting Jan 21 (27 participants)

EC Harris-NE County
Houston Marathon-1/2 Marathon

EC Harris-NW County
Houston Marathon this month, kept a lot of folks busy.

EC Harris-SE County
We had a good turnout to support the Houston Marathon.
Now that 145.19 is back up and stable, I plan to switch some monthly nets back to that frequency.

DISTRICT 15

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