

Mississippi Section Report for June 2006

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Field Day 2006 is now history. From all reports Mississippi hams really enjoyed themselves. Because of the lousy radio conditions and weather, most groups seem to concentrate on fun and family. Heavy rain almost put some Field Day Sites underwater for a while and radio operations were generally limited to 40 and 20 with an occasional 6-meter opening. Fortunately 20 stayed open most of the night keeping operators from drifting off into dreamland. As of this writing the following clubs/groups were known to be on the air: Alcorn County ARES, Chickasaw County ARA/DeSoto County RACES, Columbus/Starkville ARCs, Delta ARA, Hattiesburg ARC, Jackson ARC, Magnolia DX Association, Meridian ARA, Mississippi Coast ARA, Olive Branch ARC, Pine Belt DX Association, Tippah County ARA, Tupelo ARC, University of Mississippi ARC, and the Vicksburg ARC.

EC AG5Z reports the Hattiesburg ARC has licensed over 30 new hams in the past couple of months as the result of classes offered at a local church and at Forrest General Hospital. Many of these new hams took part in the HARC Field day. New classes are scheduled to begin on July 11th at the Wesley Medical Center.

DEC KA5ICO reports the organization of the Sundancer ARC in Houston. The club name comes from the world-champion Sundancers Solar Racecar Team at the local high school. A simplex net has been started and a repeater will be on the air shortly.

DEC WB5CON reports that he had a one-hour interview on a local Corinth radio station which went well. Fred was able to pass out a lot of ham radio information to listeners and had the opportunity to mention the ARRL and Hello-Radio web sites several times.

Certificates and results for the 2006 Mississippi QSO Party have been sent out. If you didn't send in a log but would like a copy of the results, send an email to w5xx@arrl.org.

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades: KB5DTX – Bassfield and KE5ELS - Poplarville. Also congratulations are in order for KD5GWM on completing FEMA Courses IS 100/200/700.

Welcome to new Mississippi Hams: KE5IHN, Lance – Petal; KE5IHO, Terence – Hattiesburg; KE5IHP, James – Hattiesburg; KE5IHQ, Robert – Hattiesburg; KE5IJX, Robert – Wiggins; KE5IJY, John – Biloxi; KE5IKC, Reo – Purvis; KE5ILZ, Heather – Tylertown, KE5IMG, Roger – Brandon; KE5IMH, John – Pearl; KE5IMI, George – De Kalb; KE5IMK, Britt – University; William, KE5IPO – Tishomingo; KE5IRP, Samuel – Holly Springs.

In addition, welcome to new ARRL Members KB5AAB, KB5BIU, WD8CWD, N5DAM, KB5ECY, AB5FI, W5GRU, KE5HYS, KE5HZF, WB0IAW, N5LOK, N5RTI, K5SHE, KM5UO, K5WNU, WB5WSK, KB5VLD, and WB5YFS.

Regret to report the passing of KB5QDX of Forest, KB5DKW of Basic City, and WB4WFH of Barton.

Newsletter/Club Reports: Hattiesburg ARC (AC5E), Meridian ARC (W5MAV), Tippah ARC (N5TBB), Vicksburg ARC (W5WAF).

DEC/EC Reports: KD5CQT (Jackson), WV5D (Jones), KC5EAK (Pearl River), KD5GWM (Lauderdale/Clarke), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), N5TBB (Benton/Tippah), K5WSY (Tishomingo), AG5Z (Forrest)

PIC Report: N5TBB

Net Reports: Session/QNI/QTC (Net Manager)

DRN5 60/MS 100% represented/159 (WB5ZED)

MSPN 30/2248/53 (K5NRK)

MS TFC Net 30/129/6 (KB5W)

Magnolia Section Net 30/964/5 (AD5J)

Jackson Co ARES 30/305/5 (KD5CQT)

MS Slow Net 21/70/1 (W3TWD)

MLEN 4/36/0 (K5NRK)

Meridian Area EN 4/39/0 (KD5GWM)

JARC EN 4/33/1 (AB5WF)

Monroe Co ARC Net 4/78/0 (AD5DO)

Hattiesburg AEN 4/42/0 (N5MZ)

St.Tammany/Pearl River ARES 4/30/2 (KC5EAK)

Lowndes Co ARC Net 4/32/0

Itawamba Co ARES Net 4/60/0

MS Baptist Hams Net 3/23/0 (WF5F)

PSHR (minimum 70): WB5ZED 150, W5XX 105, N5FP 100, KD5FUY 77

Traffic: WB5ZED 1504 (BPL), N5FP 40, W5XX 7

Compilation of Net and Traffic statistics provided by N5FP, Mississippi Section Traffic Manager.