

# Mississippi Section Report for June 2019

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Field Day in Mississippi was a good one for fellowship and food but not so much for the 110-degree heat index and lousy band conditions. Reports indicate that this was basically a 40 and 20 operation with 15, 10, and 6 dead most of the time. Those Mississippi Stations known to be on the air for the festivities were:

599 DX Association in Lumberton – NA5NN  
Alcorn County ARES in Corinth – W5AWP  
Area 51 Radio Group WA5RGM - Saltillo  
Central Mississippi Contest Group in Vicksburg – K5ZRO  
Hattiesburg/Lamar ARCs in Hattiesburg – K5PN  
Jackson County Amateur Radio Association in Saucier – N5OS  
Jasper County Amateur Radio Service Club in Waynesboro – NE5L  
Jim Price in Ocean Springs – K1BEG  
Madison County ARES in Madison – K5Z  
Magnolia DX Association in Saucier – K5MDX  
Marion County Ham Radio Club in Columbia – KG5HKK  
Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association in Gulfport – W5SGL  
Olive Branch ARC and Chickasaw ARA in Southaven – K5K  
Scott County ARC in Morton – KF5WNV  
Southwest Mississippi ARES Team in Brookhaven – W5WQ  
Tishomingo ARC in Holcut – W5TCR  
The Great Southern DX Association in Gulfport – K5GDX  
University of Mississippi ARC in Oxford – W5UMS

Field Day Messages to the SM were received from K5GDX, N5OS, NA5NN, and W5WQ. Entries must be postmarked or submitted by internet to ARRL Headquarters by July 23. Don't let the date slip up on you.

The Sixteenth Mississippi QSO Party is now history. The logs have been checked. A summary of the of the results is provided below. The top ten Mississippi Stations (single operator) were N4OGW, K5BAK, KG5PBJ, AE5TR, NM5Z, N5RB, N5OMK, K0RO, KJ5RC, and K5XU. A check of the logs indicate that 77 Mississippi Stations were on the air in 53 of the 82 Counties.

Plaque winners are:

High Score Mississippi Stations (Single Op) – N4OGW  
High Score Mississippi Station (Unlimited Ops/xmtrs) – NA5NN  
High Score Mississippi Portable (Single Op) – W4XK/P  
High Score Mississippi Station Portable (Unlimited ops/xmtrs) – W5OBM/P  
High Score Mississippi Mobile (op with no driver) – W4SIG/M

High Score Mississippi Club – 599 DX Association  
Mississippi Station Working the Most Counties – KG5PBJ  
High scoring Out-of-State W/VE Station – WB9HFK  
High Scoring DX Station Outside W/VE – UA3AGW

Many thanks to W3DYA/M, W4SIG/M, KV4T/M, KK4TE/M, K4ZGB/M, K5CUB/P, WA5CAM/P, N5JGK/P, W5OBM/P, and W4XK/P. For putting on a lot of rare counties that aren't normally on the air.

Those stations submitting logs will be provided with complete results in a couple of months by email. Stations not submitting a log or not participating and wanting a copy of the results should contact W5XX. Thanks to AG5Z for helping to check the logs.

The next big event on the calendar is our annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET). ASEC for Training AA1NA has scheduled the emergency preparedness exercise for August 3 from 9 AM to 9 PM. More information will be coming from Kirk via the Magnolia/and MSPN Nets, the SM Remailer, and from your DEC/EC.

DEC/EC N5ZNT reports The Southwest Mississippi ARC operated two events in June. The first was the 2019 Dairy Festival in Walthall County with participants KG5HUZ, AE5FK N5LIP, AD7KJ, KG5HGV, and N5ZNT. They had lots of fun and made 30 plus contacts on phone and digital. Best of all was some HMI (Home Made Ice-cream)! The second event was 2019 FD operating 1A Mississippi. They had a total of 23 Participants - two elected officials, two from served agencies, four guests, and 15 Hams! Jeffrey reports they a GREAT time and plenty of HMI ! They operated SSB and digital.

Lee County EC WA5TEF notes that the Tupelo Club continues to grow. They had their first Elvis Presley Festival Event on June 5 through June 9 with about 1200 contacts. They were setup across from Tupelo Hardware where Elvis bought his first guitar. They worked mostly digital but some phone, and everyone had a good time although it was somewhat warm.

Lauderdale County EC KB5SZJ relays that ARES installed two new antennas on the local EOC which should increase their operating systems capability by letting them use digital and voice at the same time. They are planning to host a Tech class soon, dates still in the air. The upcoming class will mainly be held for the MS Task Force, but some seats may still be available.

DeSoto County EC KF5WVJ reports that the Desoto County ARES teamed up with the Chickasaw ARA and the Olive Branch ARC for Field Day to use it as a training session. They brought out the Comm Trailer and set it up for use as a station during the Field Day event and had it manned for the 24-hour period.

Forest County EC KF7DLW notes Field Day went great for the Hattiesburg and Lamar ARCs, with a good turnout. They were glad to see many people sharing stories and experiences. Also, they would like to welcome Andrew Moulton KG4AFY to the ARES group.

SEC KC5IMN reports the Madison County ARES Team worked Field Day out in a large open field in Gluckstadt. Several operators from around the county came by to check out the operation and enjoyed the fellowship.

And on your long range calendar pencil in the ARRL Day in the Park on October 19 in Gautier and the Jackson County Hamfest in Ocean Springs on November 15-16.

Congratulations to the following on their upgrade in June: KI5EQZ, Denton – Natchez; N5MPC, Andrew – Starkville; and KG5MWA, Robert – Madison.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in June: KI5FAM, Joseph – Vardaman; KI5FAR, Amanda – Crawford; KI5FAS, Billy – Columbus; KI5FCB, Johnny – Biloxi; KI5FFZ, Michael – Madison; KI5FHQ, Lemond – Starkville; KI5FHR, Jared – Hattiesburg; KI5FIV, John – Vicksburg; KI5FIW, Debra – Vicksburg; KI5FIX, Rodney – Vicksburg; and KI5FIY, Charles – Jackson.

Also, welcome to the following new ARRL Members in June: KF5BTH, Raborn – Como; KF5CKZ, Jennie – Oxford; KI5EQZ, Denton – Natchez; W5GYN, Bob – New Albany; KD5WMI, Lee – Mendenhall; and W5ZRK, James – Hattiesburg.

As of June 30, ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 968. Down 11 from last month. Not Good.

SEC/DEC Reports for June 2019: KC5IMN (SEC), KC5IIW (EC MS), AF5PO (NE MS), N5ZNT (SW MS), KB0ZTX (NW MS),

EC Reports for June 2019: WB5CON (Alcorn), KF7DLW (Forrest), AE5FK (Walthall), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), KC5IIW (Scott), KF5IMA (Lafayette), N5KDA (Adams), KC5NDU (AEC)(Yalobusha), AF5NG (Marion), AD5PO (Tishomingo), AE5SK (AEC)(Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin), AA5SG (Jones/Wayne), KB5SZJ (Lauderdale), WA5TEF (Lee), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln/Wilkinson), and KB0ZTX (Marshall).

Club Newsletter/Reports (Editor): the Meridian ARC Spark Gap (W5MAV)

Regret to report the passing of Ernie, W5OXA. Ernie was a past Mississippi Section Manager, one of the founders of the Mississippi Coast ARA, VE, and regular check-in on the MSPN for many years. Also regret to report the passing of W5NA, recently living in Hattiesburg. Leon was a very active DXer and regular check in to the MSPN. As part of his professional career he was a Flight Controller during Apollo and Gemini at NASA Mission Control in Houston.

HF Net Reports - sessions/QNI/QTC (Net Manager)

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Net 5/46/0 (KD5XG)

K5TAL American Legion Net 4/49/0 (KA5DON)

Magnolia Section Net 30/1110/19 (KA5ICO)

MS Baptist Hams Net 5/19/0 (WF5F)

MSPN 30/2004/23 (W5JGW)

VHF Net Reports - sessions/QNI/QTC (Net Manager)

Adams County ARES 4/55/0 (N5KDA)

Alcorn County ARES 4/50/0 (WB5CON)

Capital Area Emergency Net 5/59/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Training and Information Net 4/81/0 (KF5WVJ)

Forrest/Perry Counties ARES 2/24/0 (KF7DLW)

Hattiesburg ARC 2M Net 5/66/5 (KD5XG)

Hattiesburg 2M Simplex Net 1/9//0 (KD5XG)

Jackson ARC Emergency Net 4/45/0 (K5XU)

Jones/Wayne Counties ARES 5/78/0 (AA5SG)

K5TAL American Legion Net 2/27/0 (KA5DON)

Lowndes County ARC Net 4/41/0 (KF5AZ)

Marion County ARES Net 4/28/0 (AF5NG)

Madison County ARES 4/29/0 (W5DIX)

Marshall County ARES 4/4/0 (KB0ZTX)

Mississippi Coast ARES, Weather, and Tech Net 4/72/0 (K5CRJ)

Meridian Area Emergency Net 4/43/0 (KB5SZJ and KF5ETN)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 2/16/0 (AE5SK)

Northeast Mississippi Skywarn Net 4/29/0 (WA5TEF)

MSU ARC 4/92/1 (N5OMK)

Scott County ARES Training Net 4/37/0 (KC5IIW)

Southwest MS ARES Team 4/14/0/ (N5ZNT)

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 4/47/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo County ARES 4/41/0 (AD5PO)

University of Mississippi ARC VHF Net 4/32/0 (KF5IMA)

University of Mississippi ARC UHF Net 1/17/0 (KF5IMA)

Vicksburg ARC MLEN Net 4/100/0 (KD5DHR)

Vicksburg ARC UHF Net 2/16/0 (KD5DHR)

Walthall County ARES Net 3/25/0 (AE5FK)

Yalobusha County Skywarn Net 2/2/0 (KD5NDU)

Digital Net Reports

EMTARG/Sandpounder - 310

MS NBEMS Traffic Net 4/37/1 (W5DIX)

PSHR: KA5DON 136

Traffic: K5LAM 241, KA5DON 76, WB5BNV 17, WB5AKR 10, KB5YEE 4, KK4QAM 1,