

Mississippi Section Report for November 2017

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EC AA5NG reports that the Marion County ARES Team sponsored a Communications Demo for the Jefferson Davis County Emergency Management Director and Board of Directors with the goal of installing an Emergency Communications System in the EOC. The Demo went well. Hams participating were KF5ZBP, KD5QEO, KE5ANV, and AF5NG. They demonstrated their Go Radio kit which includes a Yaesu FT-857D, Signal Link sound card, portable power source (battery), NVIS antenna, and their 2-meter pushup 30-foot fiberglass mast.

ASEC K1REZ (digital) notes that AD5O has established a 24/7 Winlink RMS Gateway Station at his home QTH in Central Mississippi (Brandon). Hams will be able to place email into the Winlink Global Radio Email System via AD5O's Gateway Station. Further, AD5O has also established a 24/7 BPQ BBS and has graciously offered to set up mail boxes on his BBS for Hams, who are interested in actively using the BBS for receiving and retrieving amateur radio messages. More detailed information to follow.

PIO KF5ZCI relays that Petal High Instructor N5MZ has graduated 12 new Technicians through the STEM Program with calls KG5WJB through KG5WJL. Congratulations Brad and to the new Techs!

EC WA5TEF reports that the Tupelo ARC just elected new officers for 2018. They are K5TMN, President, KG5IVL, Vice President, AK5CT, as Secretary-Treasurer, W5AHA, as Property Officer, WA4IAX, Director, and WA5TEF Director. Also, several of TARC members are building solar powered stations to be totally on backup power, if needed. They have located a source of used solar panels and deep cycle batteries.

EC KF5IMA notes that the University of Mississippi ARC served as course monitors for the Ole Miss/Oxford Diabetes Walk on November 8.

EC AA5SG reports that the Jones County ARES Net has moved its Sunday night start time to 2020-hrs local-time to better accommodate members. During November, the Net expanded to include, in addition to FM, both C4FM and DMR sessions.

Thanks to the Jackson County ARC and the Pearl River ARC for hosting two great Hamfests. And lastly don't forget our annual 'New Year's Eve Party on the Air' scheduled for December 31 at 11PM on 3862 plus or minus QRM which has been a problem lately for the MSPN.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in November: KG5VXW, Samuel – Pontotoc; KG5VXY, Michael – Gautier; KG5WBB, Caroline – Bassfield; KG5WBC, Guy – Hattiesburg; KG5WCR, Marshall – Hernando; KG5WDQ, Micah – Hattiesburg; and KG5WDX, Trudy – Vicksburg;

Welcome to the following new ARRL Members in November: KE5AAO, David – Biloxi; KK4ADD, Stanley – Pearl; KG5ANQ, Daniel – Booneville; AB5FI, William – Grenada; K5JSH, John – Pontotoc; WB8LEM, Mark – Brandon; KG5LGN, Claude – Senatobia; KD6PJW, Woody, Poplarville; N5RSR, George – Jackson; KG5TTU, Don – Senatobia; KG5UNF, Dustin – Clinton; KG5VHE, Joseph – Brandon; KG5VPF, James – New Albany; KG5WDQ, Micah – Hattiesburg; and W5ZRK, James – Hattiesburg.

As of November 30, ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 1,042 up 6 from the last report on October 30. Great!

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades in November: KG5IDK, Samantha – Hernando; WB5KXT, Thomas – Purvis; KG5LVK, Lynwood – Brooklyn; KG5QLS, Richard – Pearl; and KG5VEP, Susan – Blue Springs.

Welcome to KF7DLW as EC for Forrest County.

SEC/DEC Reports for August 2017: KC5IMN (SEC), AF5PO (NE MS), N5ZNT (SW MS), and KB0ZTX (NW MS).

EC Reports for August 2017: KG5AVT (AEC)(Rankin), KE5BSB (Itawamba), WB5CON (Alcorn), AE5FK (Walthall), KF5IAY (Carroll and Montgomery), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), KC5IIW (Scott), KF5IMA (Lafayette), AD7KJ (Franklin), KF5MWE (Clarke), WX5N (Prentiss), KD5NDU (AEC)(Yalobusha), AF5NG (Marion), AF5PO (Tishomingo), AA5SG (Jones), AE5SK (AEC)(Hinds and Copiah), WA5TEF (Lee), K5VBB (Lamar), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln and Wilkinson), and KB0ZTX (Marshall).

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

PIO Report: KF5ZCI

Regret to report the passing of W5MLO of Meridian. Mel was a retired Navy Vet, having served two tours in Viet Nam, and after retirement was very active in Mississippi Section and Meridian Area Ham Radio activities.

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

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Net 4/32/0 (K5TLL)

Magnolia Section Net 30/1201/14 (KA5ICO)

MS Baptist Hams Net 3/16/0 (WF5F)

MSPN 30/2838/12 (W5JGW)

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

Alcorn County ARES 4/64/0 (WB5CON)

Bluff City ARES 4/61/0 (N5KDA)

Booneville and Prentiss County Weekly Net 4/53/0 (WX5N)

Capital Area Emergency Net 4/41/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Emergency Training and Information Net 4/82/0 (KF5WVJ)

Hattiesburg ARC Emergency 2M Net 4/68/0 (K5TLL)

Hattiesburg ARC 2M Simplex Net 1/11/0 (K5TLL)

Itawamba County ARES Net 5/55/0 (KE5BSB)

Jones County ARES Net 4/101/0 (AA5SG)

Lowndes County ARC Net 4/32/0 (KF5AZ)

Madison County ARES 4/20/0 (KC5IIS)

Marion County ARES Net 4/36/0 (AF5NG)

Marshall County ARES – meets with Desoto County – (KB0ZTX)

MDXA Net 3/17/0 (N5GD)

Meridian Area Emergency Net 4/40/1 (KF5ETN)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 4/26/0 (AE5SK)

Mississippi Coast ARA 3/51/0 (N5AHM)

MSU ARC 4/77/0 (N5OMK)

Northeast Mississippi Skywarn Net 4/65/0 (WA5TEF)

Olive Branch ARC 14/68/0 (K5OLV)

Rankin County ARES Net 4/50/0 (KG5AVT)

Scott County ARES Training Net 4/23/0 (KC5IIW)

Scott County ARES Simplex Net 1/5/0 (KC5IIW)

SE MS Training Net 5/29/4 (K5VBB)

Southwest MS ARES Team 4/22/0 (N5ZNT)

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 4/23/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo County ARC Net 4/69/0 (AF5PO)

UMARC VHF Net 4/42/0 (K5LMB)

Walthall County ARES 3/38/0 (AE5FK)

Yalobusha County Skywarn Net 4/8/0 (KD5NDU) One Skywarn Activation

Digital Net Reports

MS NBEMS Traffic Net 4/37/3 (W5DIX)

PSHR – KA5DON 83.

Traffic: AD5O 633, KA5DON 33, and W5XX 2.

Compilation of Net Statistics provided by KB5RCJ.