Mississippi Section Report – September 2016

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K5GCY reports that the Jackson ARC supported the Cyclists Curing Cancer 100-mile bike ride on the Natchez Trace which started in Clinton with a turnaround at Port Gibson and then return to Clinton. There were 320 riders. Hams working thus event were K5GCY, W5BLL, K5IMT, AF5QD, KE5JKD, KE5WAC, N5DU, KE5WRB. JARC thanks the Port Gibson Club for the use of their repeater.

In addition, K5GCY reports that on October 8 and 9 the JARC and Central Mississippi ARA Clubs provided Communications for the MS-150 bike ride.

The event covered 75 miles each day in Madison County and on the Trace.

Working the event were: WM5A, K5BLL, K5NU, K5GCY, KG5IIS, AG5CL, K5RWB, AG5BC, K5IMT, and K5TMA. The weather on both days was great. There were no problems with the bike ride.

From the Desoto County, ARES Team Leaders KF5WVJ & KB0ZTX would like to thank KF5KVL, KC5RDP, K5DKR & KG5BJC for their assistance to the Delta Club in Memphis for providing communications support to the MS-150 event. This was also a 2-day charity event in which bicycle riders began their trek on Saturday 09/11 at the Landers Center in Southaven on a journey to the Gold Strike Casino in Tunica, and back to Landers Center on Sunday 09/12. The operators provided communication for the checkpoints, rest stops, and if, needed, medical or mechanical assistance. The Team Leaders appreciate these members of their ARES team for taking the time out from their personal schedules to provide a needed service for their community.

Vicksburg ARC Activities Chairman N5KWT notes that the Club again provided communications for the Annual Five Mile Run/Walk Across the River starting at the Welcome Station on the Mississippi Side of the River with the 2.5-mile turnaround near Delta, Louisiana with some 500 plus runners/walkers participating. There were no incidents except for a few runners not being able to complete the run and having to hitch a ride back to the starting point, and some confusion at the turnaround point for the Kids One-Mile Fun Run which VARC Members straightened out. Besides Don, VARC Members stationed along the race course were K5IMT, N5JGK, W5WAF, K5REM and W5XX

From Forrest Co EC N5MZ reports that ARES in conjunction with Forrest County Emergency Management and NWS Jackson hosted SKYWARN training on September 27. 17 Pine Belt Area hams and 13 Volunteer Firefighters attended the two-hour training session. Also the Petal Amateur Wireless Society just wrapped up a Technician class taught by PIO KF5ZCI and EC

N5MZ which added 7 new hams in the area. In addition, congratulations to Forrest Co PIO KF5ZCI who upgraded to Extra Class

All the details for the 2016 Mississippi QSO Party have been wrapped up except making and presenting the plaques. K4BB was so excited about winning the Georgia First Place Certificate that he put a write up on the MSQP in the North Fulton Amateur Radio League Newsletter! You never know where the PR is coming from.

On your short range calendar pencil in October 15 for the 2016 ARRL Day in the Park in Columbia (POC:AF5NG), November 11-12 for the Jackson County Hamfest in Ocean Springs at the St. Martin Community Center

(POC: K5MOZ), December 10 for the Poplarville Hamfest at the Pearl River County EOC (POC: K5RDA), and January 27-28 for the Capital City Hamfest at the Trademart in Jackson (POC: K5GCY).

The listings below for New Mississippi Hams, New ARRL Members, and License Upgrades are for August and September. The August listings were delayed because of an IT problem at ARRL Headquarters, and thus we have listings below for two months.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in August: AG5GN, Christopher – Hattiesburg; KG5OVG, Amanda – Byhalia; KG5OVJ, Steven – Gulfport; KG5OVK, Dujwanice – Biloxi; KG5OVO, William – Yazoo City; KG5OVP, Jared – Satartia; KG5OVR, Charles – Vicksburg; KG5OVS, Stephen – Carthage; KG5OVT, Steven – Southaven, KG5OVV, Blake – Dennis; KG5OVX, Larry – Biloxi; KG5OYY, Joe – Columbus; KG5OZJ, Elizabeth – Aberdeen; KG5OZY, Richard – Meridian; KG5PAE, Michael – Jackson; KG5PBJ, Edward – Walls; and KG5PBK, Lucas – Coldwater;

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in September: KG5PEA, Jeffrey – Corinth; KG5PIB, Michael – Ocean Springs; KG5PIF, Bobby – Corinth; KG5PIU, Keith – Collins; KG5PLG, Harold – Hattiesburg; KG5PLH, Wendell – Hattiesburg; KG5PLJ, John – Morton; KG5PND, Neal – Seminary; KG5POZ, Carl – Petal; KG5PPA, Kaleb – Petal; KG5PPB, Jeffrey – Ellisville; KG5PPC, Arthur – Purvis; KG5PPD, Marvin – Waynesboro; and KG5PPE, Mortrai – New Augusta.

Invite one of these new Hams to your next Club Meeting!

Also welcome to the following new ARRL Members in August: KE5CAO, Charles – Ocean Springs; N5DHS, Joe – French Camp; AG5FG, Andrew – Horn Lake; AG5GN, Christopher – Hattiesburg; WB5JHC, William – Biloxi; N5MWX, Jerry – Madison; KC5NHP, David – Natchez; KG5OAH, George – Oak Vale; KG5OAS, Paul – Brandon; KG5OVR, Charles – Vicksburg; W5OYK, Ike – Saltillo; AG5Q, Esteban – Ocean Springs; KB8VND, Robert – Ocean Springs; N5XXX, Billy Bob – Brandon; and N5ZNQ, Sherita – Brandon.

Also welcome to the following new ARRL Members in September: KF5EJI, Eugene – Columbus; KI6GQN, John – Batesville; KG5NUB, Phillip – Waynesboro; KG5PEA, Jeffrey – Corinth; KF5QPY,

D'Lee – Meridian; N5WTH, William – Carthage; KF5VPD, Edwin – Madison; KF5VPG, Corley – Madison; and WA5XX, Todd – Madison.

As of September 30 ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 1,083 down 13 from the last report on August 31. The dues increase is still taking its toll. Hopefully, this will stop on January 1.

And last but not least welcome to KC5IMN as ASEC. K1REZ had to retire from being SEC due to health problems.

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades in August: KG5AWM, Patrick – Lauderdale; KC5BCI, Jay – Clinton; KG5ERY, Maurice – Pontotoc; KG5EVW, Billy – De Kalb; KE5HYT, Bryan – Rienzi; KG5IAX, Ted – Hickory; N5KWQ, Jon – Jackson; KG5LRE, Joseph – Pontotoc; and KG5RE, Wayne – Jackson.

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades in September: KG5CJA, Kenneth – Fulton; KG5JAW, Brooke – Brandon; KG5NUC, Chris – Ellisville; KG5OGJ, Ricky – Walnut; KG5PIK, Richard – Olive Branch; K5RDN, Michael – Hattiesburg; KD4URX, David – Petal; and KF5ZCI, Bill – Petal.

SEC/DEC Reports for September 2016: KC5IMN (SEC/WC MS), KB5VE (SE MS)

EC Reports for September 2016: WM5A (Rankin), KE5BSB (Itawamba), WB5CON (Alcorn), AE5FK (Walthall), KF5IAY (Carroll and Montgomery), KC5IIW (Scott), KC5IMN (Copiah, Hinds, Madison), N5KDA (Adams), N5LJC (Marion), K5MOZ (Jackson), N5MZ (Forrest), WX5N (Prentiss), KE5MIS and KD5NDU (Yalobusha), KF5MWE (Clarke), AF5PO (Tishomingo), N5SP (Lamar), WA5TEF (Lee), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Franklin, Lincoln, Wilkinson), KB0ZTX (Marshall)

Club Newsletter/Reports (Editor): Mississippi Coast ARA Splatter (KB9ZR) and the Meridian ARC Spark Gap (W5MAV).

Regret to report the passing of KJ5V of Hollandale. M.P. was a regular checkin to the MSPN for many years and a very active community leader.

Also regret to report the passing or W5UTH of Greenville, who was in the radio communications business in the Delta for many years.

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

Magnolia Section Net 30/914/7 (K5DSG)

MPP HF Net 2/10/0 (W5DIX)

MS Baptist Hams Net 2/4/0 (WF5F)

MSPN 30/1789/16 K5NRK

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

Alcorn County ARES 4/72/0 (WB5CON)

Bluff City Emergency Net 4/61/0 (N5KDA)

Booneville and Prentiss County Weekly Net 4/67/0 (WX5N)

Capital Area Em Net 4/48/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Emergency Training and Information Net 4/86/0 (KF5WVJ/N5PYQ)

Hattiesburg ARC Emergency 2M Net 4/59/0 (K5TLL)

Hattiesburg 2M Simplex Net 1/12/0 (K5TLL)

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Simplex Net 3/36/0 (K5TLL)

Itawamba County ARES Net 4/76/0 KE5BSB

Jackson County Em Net 6/122/0 (K5MOZ)

Lowndes County ARC Net 4/45/0 (KF5AZ)

Marion County HRC 4/24/0 (N5LJC)

MDXA Net 4/47/0 (N5GD)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 4/37/0 (AE5SK)

MPP 2M Net 4/43/0 (W5DIX)

MS Coast Em Services, WX, Training, and Tech Net 4/53/0 (KB9ZR)

MLEN 4/34/0 (K5NRK)

Northeast MS Skywarn Net 4/12/0 (WA5TEF)

Olive Branch ARC Net 16/99/0 (KF5QGF)

Rankin County ARES Net 5/58/0 (KG5AVT)

Scott County ARES Training Net 4/34/0 (KC5IIW)

Scott County ARES Simplex Net 1/4/0 (KC5IIW)

SE MS ARES Net 2/370 (N5SP)

SW MS ARES Team Net 5/30/0 (N5ZNT)

Sundancer Solar Radio Club 4/25/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo ARC Net 4/91/0 (AF5PO)

UMARC UHF Net 4/20/0 (K5LMB)

UMARC VHF Net 4/38/0 (K5LMB)

PSHR – KA5DON 78.

Traffic: KA5DON 28 and W5XX 2.

Compilation of Net Statistics provided by KB5RCJ.