

Mississippi Section Report for October 2017

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The Jackson ARC and the Rankin County ARA again supported communications for the MS-150 which coursed through Western Hinds County on October 7 and Madison County on October 8. EC KC5IIS reports that rain from Hurricane Nate hindered part of the ride on Sunday, but there were no major problem areas either day. Those Hams participating were N5DU, KG5IIS, WM5A, KM4TMA, AK4EJ, AF5QD, N4FYO, K5RWB, K5IMT, KE5JKD, KE5WAC, N4XWC, K4YCD, KG4DBE, and KF5EZX.

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. Some 300 plus runners/walkers participated. Besides Don, VARC Members stationed along the race course were K5IMT, N5JGK, K5NRK, K5VXV, KD5DHR, and KG5OVR.

DEC N5ZNT reports neither rain nor close to 40-degree temperature changes could deter the SW MS ARES Team from participating in the 2017 Diabetes Foundation of Mississippi Walk in McComb. Six ARES Members from Franklin, Lincoln, and Walthall Counties supported this effort.

EC KF5WVJ relays that on October 28 the Desoto County ARES participated in the Walls Fire Departments 'Health & Safety Day.' This event was staffed by KF5WVJ, KF5KVL, WB4BHK, KG5TTU, W5TOD, KF5MMR, and AG5FG. ARES had their Communications Trailer set up with a homebrew dipole. They handed out candy and pamphlets to numerous children and parents that attended. They gave tours of the trailer and explained how Amateur Radio helps during disasters. They were also visited by Todd Demers, a local News Channel 3 weather personality.

EC K5VBB that Lamar County ARES covered Hurricane Nate from the Lamar County EOC on October 7 resulting in a great training experience. They operated for over 5 hours with four net control operators using HF, digital and VHF.

Itawamba County KE5BSB reports that the Northeast Mississippi ARA Skywarn Class was a great success with several potential hams and interested storm spotters in attendance.

Don't forget we still have three big events before we close out 2017. The Jackson County ARC will hold their annual Hamfest on November 17-18 at the St. Martin Community Center in Ocean Springs. POC: K5MOZchrisswift@chrisswift.com. Followed by the Pearl River County ARC Annual Hamfest on December 9 at the Pearl River EOC. POC: k5rda@att.net. And lastly our annual 'New Year's Eve Party on the Air' scheduled for December 31 at 11PM on 3862

Congratulations to AA1NA on completing the ARRL Public Service and Emergency Communications Course for Radio Amateurs.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in October: KG5VHK, John – West Point; KG5VHL, William – Starkville; KG5VJY, Torvon – Diamondhead; KG5VJZ, Brandon – Carriere; KG5VNL, Randall – Madison; KG5VNM, Nicholas – Brandon; KG5VNN, Kionna – Jackson; and KG5VPF, James – New Albany;

Welcome to the following new ARRL Members in October: KA5DAN, Randle – Corinth; W1HEH, Harold – Lucedale; KB1LPO, Mark – Perkinston; KC5MA, William – Coldwater; K5MVP, Andres – Kiln; KF4UUM, B.J.- Hernando; KG5UYK, Anthony – Booneville; KG5VEL, James – Myrtle; and KG5VEM, John – Amory.

As of November 1 ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 1,036 down 5 from the last report on September 30.

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades in October: KF5EFI, Eugene – Oxford; KC5FTT, Wesley – Hernando; KG5KUB, John – Louisville; N5OMK, Steve – Starkville; KG5UBX, Louis – Long Beach; and KG4UKU, Thomas – Hernando. KD1VVZ, Annis – Lucedale;

Welcome to N5DU as State RACES Officer, AA1NA as ASEC for Training, and KF7DLW as AEC for Lamar County.

SEC//DEC Reports for August 2017: KC5IMN (SEC), N5ZNT (SW MS), KBOZTX (NE MS).

EC Reports for August 2017: KG5AVT (AEC)(Rankin), KE5BSB (Itawamba), WB5CON (Alcorn), AE5FK (Walthall), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), KF5IAY (Carroll/Montgomery), KG5IIS (Scott), KC5IHW (Madison), KF5IMA (Lafayette), K5KDA (Adams), AD7KJ (Franklin), KF5MWE (Clarke), WX5N (Prentiss), KD5NDU(AEC) (Yalobusha), AE5NG (Marion), AE5SK (AEC)(Hinds/Copiah), K5VBB (Lamar), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln/Wilkinson), and KB0ZTX (Marshall).

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

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

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Net 4/30/0 (K5TLL)

Magnolia Section Net 31/1149/7 (KA5ICO)

MS Baptist Hams Net 4/16/0 (WF5F)

MSPN 31/2553/18 (W5JGW)

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

Alcorn County ARES 3/35/0 (WB5CON)

Bluff City ARES 5/85/0 (N5KDA)

Booneville and Prentiss County Weekly Net 4/52/0 (WX5N)

Capital Area Emergency Net 5/49/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Emergency Training and Information Net 5/134/0 (KF5WVJ)

Hattiesburg ARC Emergency 2M Net 4/52/0 (K5TLL)

Hattiesburg ARC 2M Simplex Net 1/13/0 (K5TLL)

Itawamba County ARES Net 4/81/0 (KE5BSB)

Jones County ARES Net 5/125/0 (AA5SG)

Lowndes County ARC Net 5/53/0 (KF5AZ)

Madison County ARES 5/49/0 (KC5IIS/W5DIX)

Marion County ARES Net 5/47/0 (AF5NG)

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

MDXA Net 5/28/0 (N5GD)

Meridian Area Emergency Net 5/36/0 (KF5ETN)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 5/44/0 (AE5SK)

Mississippi Coast ARA 5/89/0 (N5AHM)

MSU ARC 5/112/0 (N5OMK)

Northeast Mississippi Skywarn Net 5/84/0 (WA5TEF)

Olive Branch ARC 16/93/0 (K5OLV)

Rankin County ARES Net 4/69/0 (KG5AVT)

Scott County ARES Training Net 5/31/0 (KC5IIW)

Scott County ARES Simplex Net 1/3/0 (KC5IIW)

SE MS Training Net 4/26/2 (K5VBB)

Southwest MS ARES Team 4/18/0 (N5ZNT)

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 4/27/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo County ARC Net 5/97/0 (AF5PO)

UMARC UHF Net 4/10/0 (K5LMB)

UMARC VHF Net 5/44/0 (K5LMB)

Walthall County ARES 3/26/0 (AE5FK)

Yalobusha County Skywarn Net 5/10/0 (KD5NDU)

Digital Net Reports

MS NBEMS Traffic Net 5/49/3 (W5DIX)

PSHR – KA5DON 98 and W5XX 73.

Traffic: KA5DON 48, AD5O 36, KG5FRZ 4, and W5XX 4.

Compilation of Net Statistics provided by KB5RCJ.