

Mississippi Section Report for April 2020

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Hurricane season starts June 1. In order to raise out awareness of this potentially catastrophic time of the year and to remember that this is the 15 th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, AG5Z has organized the Gulf Coast Hurricane Special Event 2020. This event will be held May 27 to May 29. Special Event Stations for the five states most often impacted by Gulf Coast Hurricanes will be operating on 3862, 7240, 14255, and 21300. Certificates will be available for working these stations. QSLs will be handled by AG5Z with SASE. More info on www.ag5z.net.

The 2020 Mississippi QSO Party Logs are in and now the checking begins. Last year 125 logs were submitted. This year 224 ... a record year. Also note that 30 Mississippi Stations submitted logs ... another record. 2020 was a year for record participation!

DEC/EC N5ZNT reports that due to CoVid-19 the Southwest Mississippi ARC had the club's first ever on the air meeting! Mainly on 2M with check-ins on 10M (for Techs outside 2M range), and 80M for the rest. The Southwest Mississippi ARES Team had three Skywarn Nets with three reports to WX5JAN .

Forrest County EC N5AAS notes that April was an active month for the area with storms. One emergency net was opened by Lamar County to handle a weather system, and one by N5AAS in Forrest County.

On your long-range calendar pencil in Field Day on June 27-28 and the ARRL Day in the Park hosted by the Tupelo ARC; date in the Fall TBD with Papa Jack's Trade Day.

Congratulations to KG5OVS, Stephen - Kosciusko on his upgrade in April.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in April: KI5IRV, Allen – Flora; KI5ICX, Rena – Rienzi; KI5IRW, Joseph – Madison; KI5IUH, Alan – Pontotoc; KI5IUU, John – Madison; and KI5IUW, Brian – Hattiesburg.

Also welcome the following new ARRL Members in April : KG4AVL, Mike – Hernando; KF5CCH, Albert – Hattiesburg; KD5DRD, David – Gulfport; KF5GWD, Miranda – Oxford; AG5IL, David – Petal; KW4IF, Ray – Lumberton; W5JMG, Jonathan – Vancleave; KG5LLO, Gary – Walnut; K5MPR, Marshall – Kiln; KE5NBC, Samuel – Hernando; KF5NOJ, David – Pascagoula; W5REY, Raymond – Hurley; K5SMK. Sean – Oxford; and K5VXV, Brent – Vicksburg;

ARRL membership in Mississippi is now 996 up 14 from last month. Wow! We are in range of hitting 1,000. (At last).

And last, but not least, welcome to K5RFL as PIC and N5AAS as EC for Forrest County.

SEC/ASEC/DEC Reports for April 2020: KC5IMN (SEC), N5ZNT (DEC SW MS), and KB0ZTX (DEC NW MS).

EC Reports for April 2020: N5AAS (Forrest), AE5FK (Walthall), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), N5KDA (Adams), AD7KJ (Franklin), AF5NG (Marion), AE5SK (AEC)(Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin), AA5SG (Jones/Wayne), KB5SZJ (Lauderdale), KG5TTU (Tate), W4WLF (Harrison), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln/Wilkinson), KG5ZEA (Attala), and KB0ZTX (Marshall).

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

Regret to report the passing of N5TF of Biloxi. Terry was a USAF veteran and, after retirement, a Naval Contractor at Avondale in New Orleans and Ingalls for twenty years.

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

Hattiesburg ARC HF Net 3/19/0 (KD5XG)

K5TAL Net 5/83/0 (WV1Q)

Magnolia Section Net 30/1148/2 (KA5ICO)

MS Baptist Hams Net 4/15/0 (WF5F)

MSPN 30/2780/12 (W5JGW)

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

Adams County ARES Net 4/47/0 (N5KDA)

Attala County ARES Net 1/3/0 (KB5ZEA)

Capital Area Emergency Net 4/52/0 (K5XU)

Central Mississippi ARES Training Net 2/24/0 (K1REZ)

DeSoto County Training and Information Net 4/113/0 (KF5WVJ)

Forrest/Perry Counties Net ARES 1/17/0 (N5AAS)

Hattiesburg ARC 2 M Net 3/44/6 (KD5XG)

Hattiesburg ARC 2 M Simplex Net 1/12/0 (KD5XG)

Jackson ARC Emergency Net 4/56/0 (K5XU)

Jones/Wayne Counties ARES 6/97/0 (AA5SG)

Madison County ARES 5/35/0 (W5DIX)

Marion County ARES Net 4/23/0 (AF5NG) (two Skywarn activations)

Marshall County ARES – meets with DeSoto County Net (KB0ZTX)

Meridian Area Emergency Net 6/71/0 (KB5SZJ)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 1/6/0 (AE5SK)

MSU ARC Net 4/112/0 (N5OMK)

MCARA Training Net 5/28/0 (W4WLF)

Northeast Mississippi Skywarn Net 4/75/0 (W5BAQ)

Southwest MS ARES Team 6/29/0 (N5ZNT) (three Skywarn activations)

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 4/71/0 (KA5ICO)

Tate County ARES – Meets with Desoto County Net (KG5TTU)

Vicksburg ARC MLEN Net 5/129/1 (KD5DHR)

Walthall County ARES Net 5/65/0 (AE5FK)

Digital Net Reports

EMTARG – 757

K5TAL Digital Voice Net 5/65/0 (WV5Q)

MS Winlink Net 2/26/0 (W5DIX)

NBEMS 4/44/7 (W5DIX)

Traffic: K5LAM 624, K1REZ 190, KG5FRZ 8, W5XX 4, and WV5Q 2.

PSHR: K1REZ 133, W5XX 76, WV5Q 62.