Mississippi Section Report for July 2019

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AA1NA, ASEC for Training and organizer of the 2019 Simulated Emergency Test (SET), reports that the annual Section SET was held on Saturday, August 3. Well over 100 amateur radio operators pitched in to handle simulated requests for seismic data following a simulated earthquake. SEC KC5IMN opened the SET at 9 AM CDT, reading the scenario and starting the 12-hour long event. The MS Section Phone Net, the Magnolia Section Net, the MS Narrow Band Emergency Messaging System, and the MS Winlink Net combined forces into two emergency nets: the HF SET Net and the Digital SET Net. Net Managers KA5ICO, W5JGW and W5DIX all worked through the day as did volunteer Net Control Stations facilitating traffic flow.

Kirk further notes that one of the greatest features of the SET was that seismic intensities were reported on request for our simulated served agency, MEMA. Selected counties were called at frequent intervals to report these intensities. The requests came by way of the HF SET net from a simulated MEMA Point of Contact. The reports were then directed back by way of the Digital SET Net. Band conditions were favorable at the beginning of the SET and towards the end. During the day relay stations were vital to get the requested data moved from the HF SET Net to the Digital SET Net for those stations not yet digitally capable. Many thanks to all who participated! The ability to relay traffic for a served agency or anyone in an emergency requires practice, training and testing to be ready!

The results of the 2019 Mississippi QSO Party have been emailed to all participants, who submitted logs. If you did not receive the results contact, W5XX. If you did not submit a log and want a copy of the results, please check www.arrlmiss.org.

Forrest County EC KF5TEX reports that ARES has two great training nets using Olivia and other digital modes to relay traffic. Future plans include trying weak signal and low noise techniques on SSB, AM, and FM over long and short distances to improve ARES ability to pass messages.

Lauderdale County EC KB5SZJ notes that the Meridian ARC is preparing to offer a Technician Class. Anyone in the area interested in the class should contact Charlie at kb5szj@arrl.net.

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 July: KI5EFB, David – Amory; KI5KRD, Ronnie – Corinth; KI5SQE, Matthew – Picayune; and KF5TJO, Christopher – Lucedale.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in July: AG5AB, Reo – Purvis; KI5FKK, Forrest – Baldwyn; KI5FKY, Cale – Foxworth; KI5FRE, Michael – Booneville; KI5FRG,

Edward – Foxworth; KI5FRW, David – Picayune; KI5FTF, Joey – Bruce; KI5FTG, Paul – Smithville; and KI5FTH, Alex – Louisville;

Also, welcome to the following new ARRL Members in July: KE5EYI, Houston - Merigold; KI5FAM, Joseph - Vardaman; KI5FFZ, Michael - Madison; KI5FIV, John - Vicksburg; KD5IEI, Edward - Nesbit; WB5KIW, William - Ridgeland; KB5QJO, Louis - Pass Christian; N5RME, Rose - Soso; and KD5SM, Ben - Horn Lake.

As of July 31, ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 973. Up 5 from last month!

DEC KB5VE has retired from the position and moved to Florida. Thanks to Dale for a job well done in organizing ARES in Southeast Mississippi. Replacing Dale as DEC will be KF7DLW and replacing Justin as Forest County EC will be former AEC KF5TEX.

Also welcome to W5TXR as EC for Lowndes County, N5AAS as AEC for Forest County, and AG5RI and AE5MI as AECs for Harrison County.

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

EC Reports for July 2019: KE5BSB (Itawamba), KF7DLW (Forrest), AE5FK (Walthall), AG5GN (Lamar), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), KC5IIW (Scott), KF5IMA (Lafayette), N5KDA (Adams), AD7KJ (Franklin), AF5NG (Marion), AD5PO (Tishomingo), AE5SK (AEC)(Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin), KB5SZJ (Lauderdale), WA5TEF (Lee), W4WLF (Harrison), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln/Wilkinson), KB5ZEA (Attala), and KB0ZTX (Marshall).

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

HF Net Reports

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Net 4/48/0 (KD5XG)

K5TAL American Legion Net 5/46/0 (KA5DON)

Magnolia Section Net 31/1190/3 (KA5ICO)

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

MSPN 31/2158/12 (W5JGW)

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

Adams County ARES 5/37/0 (N5KDA)

Attala County ARES 4/20/0 (KB5ZEA)

Capital Area Emergency Net 4/46/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Training and Information Net 5/106/0 (KF5WVJ0 One Skywarn Operation

Forrest/Perry Counties ARES 2/23/0 (KF7DLW)

Hattiesburg ARC 2M Net 4/57/5 (KD5XG)

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

Itawamba County ARES 1/8/0 (KE5BSB)

Jackson ARC Emergency Net 4/49/0 (K5XU)

K5TAL American Legion Net 5/39/0 (KA5DON)

Lamar County ARES 2/23/0 (AG5GN)

Marion County ARES Net 4/22/0 (AF5NG)

Madison County ARES 4/23/0 (W5DIX)

Marshall County ARES 4/4/0 (KB0ZTX)

Mississippi Coast ARES, Weather, and Tech Net 5/86/0 (K5CRJ) One emergency Operation

Meridian Area Emergency Net 5/58/0 (KB5SZJ and KF5ETN)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 2/17/0 (AE5SK)

Northeast Mississippi Skywarn Net 5/37/0 (WA5TEF)

MSU ARC 5/173/0 (N5OMK)

Open Quad Net 3/55/0 (KA5DON)

Scott County ARES Training Net 5/49/0 (KC5IIW)

Southwest MS ARES Team 5/15/0/ (N5ZNT) Two Skywarn Operations

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 5/76/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo County ARES 5/44/0 (AD5PO)

University of Mississippi ARC VHF Net 3/36/0 (KF5IMA)

Vicksburg ARC MLEN Net 4/120/0 (KD5DHR)

Vicksburg ARC UHF Net 1/17/0 (KD5DHR)

Walthall County ARES Net 3/31/0 (AE5FK) One emergency operation

Digital Net Reports

EMTARG/Sandpounder - 669

MS NBEMS Traffic Net 5/34/4 (W5DIX)

PSHR: KA5DON: 73

Traffic: K5LAM 800, KA5DON 13