

Mississippi Section Report for October 2018

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Severe thunderstorms moved through South Mississippi on Halloween Night and into the next morning with most of the damage being in Adams county. EC N5KDA reports that the Bluff City ARES Group activated. Gary will provide a complete report next month.

KG5YEE reports that the Vicksburg ARC again provided radio communication for the 30 th annual Over the River Run held on Saturday, October 13. The event is a 5-mile run/walk over the Mississippi River bridge into Louisiana and back into Mississippi. In addition to radio communications, club members volunteered with a variety of pre-race tasks. Members that participated were: N5KWT, KC5GIB, K5VXV, KD5DHR, WB5YKR, KC5VTN, N5JGK, KG5OVR, KG5YEE, KG5YZV, and KG5YZW.

Forrest County EC KF7DLW notes that on Sunday, October 28, ARES was requested to provide communications for the 2018 Diabetes walk on the Long Leaf trace in Hattiesburg. The following hams helped: WB5TJK Ron (who operated the race control net station), KD5XG Lex (Station 2), K5JBA John (Station 3), KG5DKG Francis (Station 4), KG5WJM Roger (Station 5)(He traveled from Jasper County to help), and KG5QAZ Caleb (Helped out at the race control station and was back up). The Walk Sponsors made it known they were very happy to have the Hams on site.

EC KF5WVJ advises that October was a busy month for Desoto County ARES. It all started with a request to have a presence at the EOC with KF5WVJ, KF5KVL, and KG5TTU during the Presidential visit to Desoto County; next they were invited setup their EMCOM Trailer as a GOTA station for ARRL Day in the Park at the Olive Branch Park along with the Chickasaw ARA and the Olive Branch Club, where they gained two new members. Then, after attending a Skywarn Training Session by the NWS, ARES Members ended the month with an invitation from the Walls Fire Chief to bring their EMCOMM Trailer to the Walls Health and Safety Day at Walls Elementary School where KF5WVJ, AG5FG, KF8PD, KG5AVJ, and KD4QFH gave tours and demos in the Trailer and passed out a lot of candy to several hundred kids and a few adults with a sweet tooth; met a lot of nice people; and may end up with a couple of more members from this event

EC KB5SZJ reports from Lauderdale County that the W5FQ repeater is back on the air, but they can use the lower tower antenna only. The top antenna is unusable due to the damage sustained during a lightning strike. The bottom antenna is usable with use of a tuner although the range is limited range. Their packet and APRS stations should be back on within the next few months.

Itawamba County EC KE5BSB notes that the Northeast Mississippi Radio Association took their EMCOM Trailer and set it up at Papa Jack's Trade Day at the Tupelo Airport.

On your long-range calendar pencil in the Capital City Hamfest, January 25-26, 2019 in Jackson (POC K5GCY). Our representative from ARRL Headquarters will be Mike Corey, KI1U, who will conduct a forum on "ARRL Connect." If you are confused, this will be a great opportunity to get answers to your questions.

Welcome to the following new Hams in Mississippi in October: KI5BTY, Leo – Oxford; KI5BUH, Jason – Brandon; KI5BUI, Tom – Brandon; KI5BVX, Paul – Ocean Springs; KI5BVY, Cesar – Gulfport; KI5BVZ, Roy – Gulfport; KI5BWA, Michael – D'Iberville; KI5BXF, John – Brandon; KI5BXG, Richard – Vicksburg; KI5BXJ, John – Ridgeland; KI5BXY, James – Eupora; KI5BYX, Charles – Corinth; KI5BZP, Stephen – Brandon; and KI5BZQ, Thomas – Flora.

And, also welcome to the following new ARRL Members in October: KI5BEG, Jim – Ocean Springs; KI5BXF, John – Brandon; N5KZK, David – Waveland; KA9MQI, Gary – Perkinston; KF5NOJ, David – Pascagoula; KG5PST, Kristofor – Biloxi; and W5TOD, Michael – Southaven.

As of October 31, ARRL Membership in Mississippi was 988 down 6 from the last report on September 30. When will the drops stop???

Congratulations to the following on their upgrades in October: KI5AYP, Kevin – Houston; KI5BEU, Dickie – Vicksburg; N5EIC, Lawrence – Belden; KG5IRE, Charles – Senatobia; KG5IRF, Bobby – Tishomingo; and KG5YZY, Earle – Vicksburg.

SEC/DEC Reports October 2018: KC5IMN (SEC), KC5IIW (EC MS), N5ZNT (SW MS), KB0ZTX (NW MS)

EC Reports for October 2018: KG5AVT (AEC)(Rankin), KE5BSB (Itawamba), WB5CON (Alcorn), KF7DLW (Forrest), AE5FK (Walthall), AG5GN (Lamar), KA5ICO (Chickasaw), KC5IIW (Scott), KF5IMA (Lafayette), N5KDA (Adams), AD7KJ (Franklin), KD5NDU (AEC)(Yalobusha), AF5NG (Marion), NS5M (Washington), AF5PO (Tishomingo), AA5SG (Jones), KB5SZJ (Lauderdale), KF5WVJ (DeSoto), N5ZNT (Lincoln/Wilkinson), and KB0ZTX (Marshall),

OES Reports: WB5AKR

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

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

Hattiesburg ARC 10M Net 4/28/0 (KD5XG)

K5TAL - American Legion 80M Net 5/43/0 (KA5DON)

Magnolia Section Net 31/1110/2 (KA5ICO)

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

MSPN 31/2559/20 (W5JGW)

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

Adams County ARES 5/72/0 (N5KDA) One ARES Emergency Activation

Alcorn County ARES Net 5/67/0 (WB5CON)

Booneville and Prentiss Co Net 5/65/0 (WX5N)

Capital Area Emergency Net 4/43/0 (K5XU)

DeSoto County Training and Information Net 5/130/0 (KF5WVJ)

Forrest/Perry Counties ARES 2/18/0 (KF7DLW)

Hattiesburg ARC 2M Net 4/65/0 (KD5XG)

Hattiesburg 2M Simplex Net 1/8/0 (KD5XG)

Itawamba County ARES Net 4/25/0 (KE5BSB)

Jackson ARC Emergency Net 4/41/0 (K5XU)

K5TAL – American Legion 2M Net 3/24/0 (KA5DON)

Lamar County ARES Net 2/18/0 (AG5GN)

Lowndes County ARC Net 4/41/0 (KF5AZ)

Marion County ARES Net 5/39/0 (AF5NG)

Madison County ARES 4/29/0 (W5DIX)

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

MDXA Net 4/24/0 (N5GD)

Meridian Area Emergency Net 5/60/0 (KB5SZJ and KF5ETN)

Metro Jackson ARES Net 2/19/0 (AE5SK)

Mississippi Coast ARA 5/88/0 (N5AHM)

MSU ARC 5/84/0 (N5OMK)

Olive Branch ARC 4/29/0 (K5OLV)

Rankin County ARES Net 4/58/0 (KG5AVT)

Scott County ARES Training Net 5/47/0 (KC5IIW)

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

South Central ARES Net 4/83/0 (AA5SG)

Southwest MS ARES Team 1/3/0 (N5ZNT)

Sundancer Solar ARES Net 5/69/0 (KA5ICO)

Tishomingo ARES Net 5/100/0 (AD5PO)

University of Mississippi ARC Net 4/29/2 (KF5IMA)

Vicksburg ARC MLEN Net 5/137/0 (KD5DHR)

Vicksburg ARC UHF Net 1/11/0 (KD5DHR)

Walthall County ARES Net 4/41/0 (AE5FK)

Yalobusha County Skywarn Net 2/7/0 (KD5NDU)

Digital Net Reports

MS NBEMS Traffic Net 5/46/5 (W5DIX)

EMTARG/Sandpounder Group – 577 (WB5AKR)

PSHR – KA5DON 94 and W5XX 74.

Traffic: KG5FRZ 37, KA4DON 34 and W5XX 3.