Ohio ARES Connect Monthly Report – December 2020

Note: A lot of hard work and dedication was given by all of our great Ohio Section volunteers!

Breakdown by Event Category			
	# of Events / Category	# of Persons	# of Hours
Communications Emergency	1	2	1.00
Community Event	26	43	124.01
Exercise	4	68	23.75
Meeting	30	115	198.55
Net	554	2108	1,923.58
Skywarn	15	91	45.90
Training	51	214	498.78
Miscellaneous	46	67	256.00
Unclassified – All events not listed above	606	1968	1,917.29
Total	**1,333**	**4,676**	**4,988.86**

Volunteers Per Level

Level 01	824
Level 02	509
Level 03	159
Total	**1,492**

Volunteers by District

District 01	175
District 02	47
District 03	240
District 04	148
District 05	150
District 06	72
District 07	296
District 08	104
District 09	74
District 10	186
Total	**1,492**

Hours Overview - Annual

	User	Anonymous	Total
Jan	4,835.32	4,683.08	9,518.40
Feb	4,251.80	950.00	5,201.80
March	5,291.09	1,246.53	6,537.62
April	4,925.07	1,794.22	6,719.29
May	4,693.95	1,255.77	5,949.72
June	5,964.33	1,498.34	7,462.67
July	5,247.52	1,173.27	6,420.79
Aug	5,450.58	1,270.28	6,720.86
Sept	5,437.22	912.46	6,349.68
Oct	5,742.27	1,021.26	6,763.53
Nov	4,645.19	905.87	5,551.06
Dec	4,017.06	971.8	4,988.86
Total	**60,501.40**	**17,682.88**	**78,184.28**

Hours breakdown by County/District/State

County	Hours	County	Hours	County	Hours	County	Hours
Adams	0	Fulton	0	Marion	66.5	Stark	12.5
Allen	0	Gallia	7.22	Medina	81.75	Summit	8.75
Ashland	2.3	Geauga	31.25	Meigs	1	Trumbull	0
Ashtabula	0	Greene	145.02	Mercer	0	Tuscarawas	1
Athens	137.75	Guernsey	18.5	Miami	10.5	Union	0
Auglaize	0	Hamilton	70.59	Monroe	0	Van Wert	6
Belmont	0	Hancock	1.5	Montgomery	88.48	Vinton	0
Brown	0	Hardin	2	Morgan	0	Warren	0
Butler	0	Harrison	0	Morrow	0	Washington	15.5
Carroll	0	Henry	0	Muskingum	0	Wayne	51.25
Champaign	7.35	Highland	55.5	Noble	17	Williams	0
Clark	0	Hocking	24.75	Ottawa	0	Wood	0
Clermont	0	Holmes	0	Paulding	0	Wyandot	14.5
Clinton	36	Huron	23.5	Perry	0	Total County Hours	2,788.98
Columbiana	0	Jackson	0	Pickaway	0		
Coshocton	31	Jefferson	41.6	Pike	0	District Only Hours	
Crawford	0	Knox	1.55	Portage	0	District 01	165.55
Cuyahoga	129.2	Lake	91	Preble	0	District 02	0
Darke	0	Lawrence	0	Putnam	0	District 03	0
Defiance	0.5	Licking	423.85	Richland	8.05	District 04	0
Delaware	37.6	Logan	0	Ross	0	District 05	0
Erie	0	Lorain	117.4	Sandusky	32	District 06	0
Fairfield	146.5	Lucas	113.26	Scioto	0	District 07	0
Fayette	0	Madison	10.2	Seneca	156.61	District 08	0
Franklin	148.2	Mahoning	116.5	Shelby	246	District 09	13
						District 10	0
						Total District Hours	178.55
						Total State Hours	1,049.53
						Total Recorded Hours	4,017.06

Top 10 persons in Ohio for hours volunteered

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Dwight Bonifield (W8TJT)	166	220.00
Dan Stahl (KC8PBU)	180	120.41
Michael Lacumsky (W8MAL)	100	118.11
James Yoder (W8ERW)	19	93.50
Ron Wilch (KE8PX)	140	83.50
Lee Coyle (N2LC)	90	81.50
Grant Reed, Jr. (N8KZL)	7	72.00
Jon Anhold (KM8V)	19	66.75
Christopher Domenick (KC8CAD)	26	63.35
William Shuster (WD8SAB)	33	56.25

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Juan Duarte (KD8UOT)	82	45.00
Elizabeth Klinc (KE8FMJ)	65	39.02
Colleen Roth (N8TNV)	62	32.00
Chris Tracy (KD8UUB)	61	29.85
C. Curtin (KD8TTE)	52	42.50

DEC / EC Narrative Reports

District 1   DEC – Brent, WD8PNZ

Reporting County or District: Lucas
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Happy Holidays
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached: December 2020 EC Repoert.docx
DEC/SEC: District 1 Brent, WD8PNZ
Your Name: Tim Gray
Call Sign: KD8IZU
Lucas County Amateur Radio Emergency Service
December 2020 Emergency Coordinator's Report

Don't have anything to report for December, but I thought I do a quick recap of what happen in 2020.

At the beginning of 2020, we had just had finished off one of our busiest years in while. We had   started to prep to help out with the Regional Convention when everything came to a screeching halt across the country. While prepping we started to make some updates to our communications trailer and continued after the restrictions were let up to the point where we could go downtown and do more work on it. We now are capable of running the MESH Network from the truck or trailer, the trailer has the permanent set up for MESH with a node mounted on the front of the trailer and an access point as well. We also hard wire our signal link into the trailer's computer and radio system.

Being that our real first real event of the year is the TMRA Hamfest each year and the virus hit days before it was schedule to happen and has kept pretty much everything else from happening.

All of our events, got cancel even the ones they thought they would be able to put on. We have been holding all of our meetings virtually and on the air since the pandemic started.

In May, we took the truck and trailer over to the marina district but due to the weather we didn't spread out like we originally planned. We discovered a lot of things that evening.

In June, our MESH Committee raided the Wood County Fair Grounds and had fun with their mesh equipment. They spread out all over the fair grounds and campgrounds. We learned a lot that day on how we can do with mesh that day and how much more we need to practice.

In October, we held our SET in which we only had a dozen participants involved. Mike W8MAL wrote the Incident Action Plan for our SET. We did it completely different this year, in the past they would send people out to the hospitals and key locations and check in, then just go through some frequency and modes. This year we treated as real emergency where operators were dispatched to assignments as they reported in. The Assistant Emergency Coordinators were assigned jobs at the beginning of the SET. Then the alert was set off alerting the rest of the members. Due to the pandemic a feel a lot of people did not volunteer this year.

That pretty much rounds up our year this year. I hope this next year will be better, we can get back to some what normal. I miss spending time with the best amateur radio operators in the world .

Reporting County or District: HANCOCK
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : 4 Routine Training Nets, December was my first month as Hancock County EC. Sent out introductory email to all ARES and Club Members. Scheduling meetings to update ARES Rosters and 2021 plans, and any associated changes with them.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 1 Brent, WD8PNZ
Your Name: Scott Sheets
Call Sign: W1ALW

District 2   DEC – Terry, W8UY
Reporting County or District: dirstrict 2
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : sure hope 2021 is better then 2020
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: SEC - Stan, N8BHL
Your Name: Terry Habegger
Call Sign: w8uy

Reporting County or District: Van Wert County/District 2
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Made it through 2020 with no emergices
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 2 Terry, W8UY
Your Name: Ralph Shields
Call Sign: WB8YIH

Reporting County or District: Auglaize
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : 4 nets, 13.5 hrs
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 2 Terry, W8UY
Your Name: Michael Nagel
Call Sign: WD8LLN

District 3   DEC – Don, KB8PSL

Reporting County or District: District 3 Shelby County
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Please see attached the PDF file for SCARES December Report
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached: EC Report December 2020.pdf
DEC/SEC: District 3 Don, KB8PSL
Your Name: Grant Reed
Call Sign: N8KZL
Ohio Section District Three Shelby County ARES
This report covers December 2020
SCARES currently has 35 members on the books.
SCARES has a weekly Net every Sunday evening at 1900 on 146.835 – PL 156.7 for a total of 4 nets and 33.5 man-hours for the nets during December.

Shelby Co. ARES supported the Sidney / Shelby CO. Winter Wonderland REVERSE Parade of Lights. The parade was held at the Shelby Co. Fairgrounds. The Parade floats were stationary along the road inside the fairgrounds, while the public was allowed to drive thru the fairgrounds to see all of the parade entries with their Christmas lights and decorations. N8KZL KA8RVI, KC8CFI, KC6NLX, KE8LNS, KC8BUF, KD8RLF, N4QAD, KB8AXN, and KE8PYX supported the parade by placing all of the entries in the correct location along the route, then directing the traffic through the fairgrounds until complete. Total 72 man-hours

During the month of December, several SCARES members helped or assisted with the 1999 Ford F 550 that SCARES purchased in November. Several trips to businesses for a few repairs and to have equipment mounted. included N8KZL, KC8BUF, N4QAD, K8EEP, N8XM, KC6NLX, KD8RLF and KA8RVI each contributing time to help make this vehicle SCARES new tow vehicle. Still more work to do, in service plan is the end of January. We plan to offer the old SCARES tow vehicle to District 3, which is a 1985 Ford E 350 converted EMS vehicle from Ft. Loramie, Ohio. For December SCARES spent 152 total man-hours on this project. KC8CFI updated D-Star servers and SCARES repeater coordination's for an additional 3 man-hours.

SCARES monthly meeting and training for December, 2020, was not scheduled due to the Christmas Holidays. There were no Dayton Skywarn Nets activated for Shelby County for December
KC8CFI continued with SCARES calendar updates, and document updates, N8KZL, KA8RVI and KC6NLX spent time on phone calls, emails, quoting and ordering parts for an additional 18.5 man-hours.

TOTAL SCARES MAN HOURS for December, 2020 = 279

Our website is www.shelbycountyohares.com
FB https://www.facebook.com/pg/SHELBYCOUNTYA.R.E.S/

I have sent this report to DEC 3 Don Parker, KB8PSL, and ADEC John Probst, KA8RVI, as well as the Ohio Section website.

Grant Reed, N8KZL EC Shelby County ARES

Reporting County or District: Champaign
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : All hours known recorded
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 3 Don, KB8PSL
Your Name: Tony Pugh
Call Sign: NO8F

District 4   DEC – Steve, N8TFD

Reporting County or District: Clinton
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : And now we embrace a new year.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 4 Steve, N8TFD
Your Name: Michael Boyle
Call Sign: WF8B

Reporting County or District: Butler - D4
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Voice Nets 5, Digital Nets 21 for a total of 26 and 21.33 man hrs. This includes the Ohio ARES HF Net and ODEN this month due to net time changes and work schedules was unable to participate in, AIRMAIL gateway and the Ohio DMR nets. No drills, test or training sessions due to increasing corona virus concerns and Ohio entering another shutdown phase. 1 PSE - monthly siren test continues. 30 locations checked for 30 man hours. Other annual PSE continue to be canceled or rescheduled for next year. No Emergency OPS.
Membership stands at 14 12-31-2020
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 4 Steve, N8TFD
Your Name: Dave Williams
Call Sign: N8DHW

District 5   DEC – Dave, KD8NZF

Reporting County or District: Summit / District 5
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : none
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 5 Dave, KD8NZF
Your Name: Kenneth Dorsey
Call Sign: KA8OAD

Reporting County or District: Mahoning
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Local ARES Nets and the end to an "interesting" year
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 5 Dave, KD8NZF
Your Name: Frank Sole
Call Sign: WB8YHD

Reporting County or District: Stark County
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Stark County ARES completed public service nets for the month of December that totaled 110 check-ins. There were public service events held during the month. We encourage our members to log their public service time into the ARES Connect System.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 5 Dave, KD8NZF
Your Name: Terry Russ
Call Sign: N8ATZ

District 6   DEC – Danny, W8DLB

Reporting County or District: District Six
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : District Six Has been quiet Wayne county was active for a marcs drop
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: SEC - Stan, N8BHL
Your Name: Danny Bailey
Call Sign: W8DLB

Reporting County or District: RICHLAND
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : RICHLAND COUNTYA.R.E.S. STILL ON STAND BY STATUS
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 6 Danny, W8DLB
Your Name: DANNY BAILEY
Call Sign: W8DLB

District 7   DEC – Mark, KB8YMN
Reporting County or District: District 7
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : District 7 Comments: Most counties are gearing up to help the EMA and Health Departments with PODs for the vaccine. I would encourage everyone that does not have or used WinLink to look into it. It was using during the Red Cross exercise and they were impressed and it showed that amateur radio is a reliable resource for emergency messaging for our served agencies. I encourage all D7 counties to get more involved with message traffic handling and to have a liaison for your county check into the COTN traffic net. Matt KD8TTE has instructional videos on the proper way to create a message, pass the message, relay, and receive the message can be found on YouTube (KD8TTE). All EC's were in contact with their county EMA director to let them know they are available in the event there are problems leading up to, during and following the election process as well as PODs. Several counties were have been activated already. COVID-19 has lots of video conference meetings and trainings, some groups are starting to have face to face meetings, and speaking of training, now would be a good time to catch up on your FEMA IS courses. Looking forward to see what January and 2021 brings for all of us. Thanks to all ARES members for your continued participation and support. Please be safe.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: SEC - Stan, N8BHL
Your Name: Bret Stemen
Call Sign: KD8SCL

Reporting County or District: Fayette
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : No Activity
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: James Scott
Call Sign: N8ORJ

Reporting County or District: Fairfield
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : ARES nets, Ragchewer nets, K8QIK nets, Breakfast Club nets, ARES zoom meeting, K8QIK zoom meeting.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: Greg P. DerSarkisian
Call Sign: KD8SSJ

Reporting County or District: Marion
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : We did test and accomplished a successful Zoom meeting for our training this month. Now we are working on training for Win link
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached: EventParticipationByEvent_v2 (11).pdf
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: William E Tromm Jr.
Call Sign: KE8ECT

Reporting County or District: Franklin
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : I will repeat the comments from last month. We are engaging with the Medical Reserve Corp to assist with flu vaccination sites in Franklin County. There are several non-medical tasks that ARES is able to assist with. More importantly is the event that took place in Nashville Christmas morning. Consider that local telephone service carried via copper, VOIP, cellular were impacted. Internet service and all of the things that travel over internet were impacted. Critical service, FirstNet and 911 centers were impacted. This was not a local outage. It affected service in Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Alabama, Georgia, Illinois and Missouri.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: John Montgomery
Call Sign: N8PVC

Reporting County or District: Pickaway county
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Slow month with nothing to report. Continuing with monthly training topics.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: Scott Hixon
Call Sign: KC8ITN

Reporting County or District: Licking Co
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Licking County Comments: The December NARA club meeting took place via Zoom video/phone conference call, congratulations to the new NARA Club officers. Bret KD8SCL EC is in constant contact with Sean Grady EMA. We are still on standby due to the election results and to help with PODs (Points of Distribution) for the vaccine. We continue to have our weekly nets and planning for 2021. Looking forward to see what 2021 brings. Please be safe.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: Bret Stemen
Call Sign: KD8SCL

Reporting County or District: Madison
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : No activity
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 7 Bret, KD8SCL
Your Name: Mark E Erbaugh
Call Sign: N8ME

District 8   DEC – Jeff, N8SUZ
Reporting County or District: District 8
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Vinton County has resumed a weekly net Sundays at 8 PM on 147.105+ (88.5)
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: SEC - Stan, N8BHL
Your Name: Jeff Slattery
Call Sign: N8SUZ

Reporting County or District: Athens
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Athens County ARA has started a weekly 10 meter ragchew net Tuesdays, 5 PM on 28.350 SSB in addition to their monthly 2 meter simplex net first Thursday at 7 PM on 146.400. Weekly FM nets held Mondays starting at 7PM on local repeaters 145.150- followed by 442.100+. ACARA also holds a twice weekly 6 meter net at 5 PM on Sunday and Wednesday on 50.4. They plan to meet on this frequency at noon during the VHF simples contest.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 8 Jeff, N8SUZ
Your Name: Jeff Slattery
Call Sign: N8SUZ

Reporting County or District: Scioto County
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : Good weekly nets. A few new members past couple months. Communications by networks and emails mainly presently with all partners and members.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 8 Jeff, N8SUZ
Your Name: Gib Carver
Call Sign: K8GLC

Reporting County or District: Meigs
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : All activity contained within ARESConnect
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 8 Jeff, N8SUZ
Your Name: Robin
Call Sign: KG6DI

Reporting County or District: Hocking
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : No special activities, Due to the pandemic monthly meetings continue on air the first Tuesday of the month.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 8 Jeff, N8SUZ
Your Name: Dave Brimner
Call Sign: KB8OTU

District 9   DEC – Steve, AA8BN

Reporting County or District: Noble
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : On Thursday Dec 14th N2LC, W1ILE and myself assisted the Noble County EMA Agency in a Covid 19 testing at the Noble County Fairgrounds. About 150 people came thru to be tested. otherwise was a slow month here.
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 9 Steve, AA8BN
Your Name: Gary J Oliver
Call Sign: KD8OSI

District 10   DEC – Mat, KC8NZJ

Reporting County or District: Lake County
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : No Public Service this month, just scheduled nets and on line meeetings,
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 10 Mat, KC8NZJ
Your Name: Mike Goffos
Call Sign: WB8ZGH

Reporting County or District: Geauga
Reporting Month: December
Reporting Year: 2020
Comments : No much to report. Just nets and Zoom meetings
Attach Files - Multiple files can be attached:
DEC/SEC: District 10 Mat, KC8NZJ
Your Name: Pat Karl
Call Sign: N8ONI