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Form 4 - ARES Monthly SEC Report

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Success! The following information was submitted by Bret Stemen, KD8SCL, OH SEC for **Ohio, May, 2023**.

Total number of DECs/ECs appointed in section: 80
Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month: 61

Data:

	ARESMem	MemDif	Nets	Nets/NTS	Participants	Exercises		Training		PubService		ComService		Emergencies		SKYWARN	
						Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hr
Totals	1430	51	593	320	13695	127	720.00	1415	5,025.00	84	1,753.00	60	1,590.00	3	212.00	6	339

Call signs of DECs reporting:

WD8PNZ, KE8FMJ, N8TFD, W8HFZ, W8DBL, KC8ITN, N8SUZ, AA8BN, AD8AK, KD8IZU, W8CEN, KD8GSI, KC8PBU, WD8LEI, KB8IUO, N8NSD, KD8KIR, N8ADO, N8GJK, WA1EIB, KA5RUC, NJ8BB, KA8RVI, WF8B, KC8EGV, NN8B WB8YHD, KA8OAD, KD8OTQ, W8DLB, K8MDA, KE8JNH, AF8RJ, KE8CV, ND3N, N8PVC, KI8N, N8CJ, N8ME, KE8ECT, KE8PHG, KE8OTQ, KE8ANU, N8SUZ, KB8OTU, KD8GSP, KG6DI, KB8IHH, KD8JXP, AA8BN, WD8SDH, W8PAB, KD8OSI, KE8JNN, N8NUS, KE8QNV, K8CVM, N8ONI, WB8ZGH, K8ALG, K8MD

Activity Details:

District 1: WD8PNZ, DEC: WOOD COUNTY: EC attended railroad safety training from both Norfolk Southern and CSX-T to address general train safety including boarding and crossing facilities. Participated in Wood Co EMA full scale exercise. ARES was activated to provide communications between a shelter and on-scene incident commander. Scenario involved an abandoned rail car that began leaking (based on a real situation near Cincinnati in 2005). Communications received very high marks from FEMA evaluators. Continuing expansion of Mesh network. Added another node on a watertower in Bowling Green, opening up mesh to about half a dozen local hams. Local operators have been actively testing and learning mesh. Attended meetings with Lucas Co hams to coordinate working together on mesh operations. Local mesh network now includes in excess of 150 nodes at certain times. Working with DEC to discuss mesh expansion to local hospitals. Will be extending mesh into EOC and multiple facilities. Looking to deploy at least 1 weather station on mesh and possible HF facilities. Working closely with Wood Co EMA to set-up eclipse plans. Attended public safety SIEC (State Interoperability Executive Committee) meeting in Columbus. Talked about ham radio in front of 200 state communications officials about working with ARES for eclipse planning and support. Attended public safety region 1 meeting to continue work with regional TICP document and local eclipse planning. Continued work at Wood Co Sheriff's Office tower site to set-up ARES operating position at tower shack for ECOMM and storage of ARES deployable assets.

HANCOCK COUNTY: Public service for field day planning. SENECA COUNTY: Come on Field Day, see ya next month. Dan - KC8PBU
The Northwest traffic and training net passed 107 pieces of traffic, had 211 checkins, in 430 minutes in 31 sessions.

District 2: KA8VBR, DEC: No Report Received

District 3: KE8FMJ, DEC: No report from Champaign County. Montgomery County - On 5/3 attended EC/DEC Zoom Meeting to go over the upcoming new monthly reporting format. On May 13th, several members attended an Advanced Skywarn Training class but on by the National Weather Service Forecast Office Wilmington. On May 18th, several ARES members along with German Twp CERT had a training class going over the MARCS Radios and the capabilities of ham radio. We also showed off the KE8BZI Amateur Radio Station at the German Twp Hall. For the month we had a total of 169 participants. Miami County - Nets 5/7/2023 5/14/2023 5/21/2023 5/28/2023 Sunday Digital Net 0 0 0 0 Sunday Voice Net 36 27 22 26 36 27 22 26 111 5/4/2023 5/11/2023 5/18/2023 5/25/2023 Thursday Net 12 11 10 13 46 Total Net Hours 157 Training RACES meeting 8 16 MCARC meeting 22 55 SKYWARN 5/2 - WA1EIB 1 2 SKYWARN 5/13 - AA8TI 1 3.5 Total Training Hours 76.5 WX Nets # Checkins Hours Total 0 0 0 Total WX Nets Hours 0 Public Service Events ParticipantsHours Total 0 0 0 Total Public Service Events Hours. Greene County - GCARES members continue to be active with weekly nets, many participate in one or more of the three major clubs BARC, UVARC, XWARN. Nearly 700 volunteers contributed an estimated 6000 man-hours to putting on Hamvention at the Greene County Expo Center, Hamvention is the largest gathering of amateur radio enthusiasts in the world. Official attendance was reported to be 33,861. Preble County - Monthly ARES meeting. Some maintenance on club station. Set up and operate emcomm station at Hamvention, Elizabeth Klinc, DEC - All MoCo Nets, Greene Nets. Weekly D3 Nets. County Liaison for SKYWARN Activity. Ohio Section PIC. Club Meetings (XWARN, DARA, GCARES). Hamvention Chair for Talk-In and Social Media.

District 4: N8TFD, DEC: No Comment

District 5: W8HFZ, DEC: Received reports from Summit, Mahoning and Columbiana.

District 6: W8DBL, DEC: No Comment

District 7: KC8ITN, DEC: FRANKLIN COUNTY: We supported routine agency testing of antennas & feed lines along with drill preparation and two public service events. DELAWARE COUNTY: Parts for backup ARES' N8DCA repeater have been procured. Installation should be completed next week. MARION COUNTY: Not much going on this time of the year.. We have been learning and working with fldigi, winlink, and vera. LICKING COUNTY: We continue to have our ARES nets on the first and third Wednesday of the month, members are also participating/checking into other ARES nets in surrounding counties. In addition, ARES members participate in regular traffic nets, club nets, weekly luncheons and various meetings. Work continues on our ARES/CERT communication trailer renovations. Several members attended Hamvention in May along with Contest University and the Hamvention Forums. It was great to see all the younger folks in attendance during the Forums and hope that this continues.

District 8: N8SUZ, DEC: Counties reporting: Athens, Hocking, Jackson, Meigs EC comments: Athens: SCARF participated in county functional drill in Jacksonville. ACARA sponsored fox hunt and two club antenna building projects of a folding copper cactus J-Pole for 2 m and the "Mighty Woof" dual band J-pole. SCARF plans Field Day operation at Burr Oak SP and ACARA at Athens Fairgrounds.

District 9: AA8BN, DEC: D9 Thanks to EC monthly reports. It's a monthly task for all of us to complete. If there are times when you can't do them, assign an AEC to accomplish this needed monthly report. Monthly report in D9 sure by 5th.... AA8BN DEC D9..... Belmont Comments: Assisted the Northern Panhandle

club with communications for the Ogen half marathon in Wheeling WV.. KD8JXP. EC..... Coshocton Comments: Coshocton ARES was asked to provide communications for the May 20 2023 Baitin' the Shark bicycle race. The event was a success on several levels for ARES. Thank YOU ARES for making that so! Heard of "when all else fails"....I know you have. We used 2m Simplex coverage for the event, one of the basics, worked great. NCS was centrally located on high elevation. You and the others executed the plan, 10am to 3pm, from beginning to end nearly perfect. We had continuous communication throughout the routes to and from Headwind Cycling leadership located at the start/finish location. When needed, NC relayed traffic to those on route when needed. Thanks W8FHF. Thank all for being an active ARES . This was a good in the field exercise! The race routes were covered about every 5 miles. The longest route was 50 + miles. The race started and ended in sw Coshocton Co. , traveling briefly into Muskingum and Licking and Knox counties. Thank you W8FHF NC and ADEC of D9, KD8QYV Guernsey Co ARES. N8RLW and KE8ICI Knox co ARES. KA8BJA, NF8U, KC8PUW AEC, KC8LHF, KB8PXM , and myself. Hope you came away with improvements to your go bag and what additional you may need when deployed in th e field on your own . Headwind Cycling was very happy with our communications and involvement covering the race every (5 mile). David Adams thanks you! Hope you all had some fun. AA8BN EC..... , Guernsey Comments: The EC met with the new EMA director to discuss ARES capabilities. Continuing to work with digital modes in the county.. WD8SDH EC.... Jefferson Comments: 1. Flidigi and message handling training continues once every week. 2. I have attached a report showing how many of our members are spending their time with amateur radio. W8PAB EC.... Monroe No report. Noble Comments :no comments, report submitted. KD8OSI EC.... Tuscarawas Comments: no comments, report submitted... KE8JNN EC..... Washington Comments :no comments, report submitted. N8NUS EC

District 10: KC8NZJ, DEC: No Report Received

Administrative and Other Comments:

KD8SCL, SEC: Dayton Hamvention took place and I was able to attend, it was great to see everyone and to have conversations with you. I was able to attend a few forums, the weather was great for it. Lots going on in the section with planning meetings for variuos events. Field day is coming up, good luck to everyone.

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