



# ARES Field Reports

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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, 2025.**

Total number of ARES members:	1,442
Difference in ARES members from previous month:	N/D
Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month:	47
Total number of DECs/ECs in section:	80
Number of ARES net sessions held:	691
Number of ARES net sessions held with NTS liaison:	487
Number of participants in nets:	3,979

	Number	Person-Hrs
Exercises this month:	89	993.20
Training events this month:	122	923.70
Public service events this month:	33	867.00
Community service events this month:	38	720.00
Emergency events this month:	3	129.00
SKYWARN events this month:	77	668.80
Meetings this month:	86	2,394.00
Unclassified events this month:	467	2,447.00

### Call signs of DECs reporting:

AA8BN, AC8OW, AD8G, AF8E, AF8RJ, AK8DF, K8CVM, K8MD, KA5RUC, KA8OAD, KA8OCG, KA8RVI, KB8BKE, KB8IIH, KC8CAD, KC8PBU, KD8GSP, KD8JXP, KD8TLD, KE8IDH, KE8JNH, KE8JNN, KE8OOE, KE8OTQ, KE8WSO, KE8ZHS, KG6DI, N8CJ, N8ME, N8OXQ, N8PVC, N8SUZ, W8CEN, W8DLB, W8DRH, W8HFZ, W8PAB, W8SM, W8VHS, WB8YHD, WD8SDH, WF8B

### Activity Details:

ASHTABULA COUNTY-----  
 \* Amateurs as professionals.

- \* Group decided to switch to the 146.895 repeater for Monday nets.
- \* Group talked about which repeater we should consider as an alternate as the current alternate is no longer a good choice. No decision made.

ATHENS-----  
Weekly 2m/70cm/6m/10m nets. Monthly 2m simplex net

BELMONT COUNTY-----  
Not much activity for the month

CLARK-----  
N/A

CLINTON COUNTY-----  
Another slow month.

COLUMBIANA COUNTY-----  
We had a CERT Comms training where Alpha group had instructions Bravo had Lego pieces and had to use radio to instruct to put the Legos together we also instructed them when to change Freq.

COSHOCTON-----  
Participated in a county hazmat exercise. 8 ARES participated.  
Attended a zoom mtg regarding field day. Attended lepc meeting. Spent lots of time preparing for county exercise. Thank these Coshocton ARES members  
KL7RF,KC8PUW,N8MXX,AB8SV,KB8PXM,KA8BJA, KC8YXY for participating in exercise.  
....AA8BN Coshocton Co EC.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY OHIO-----  
Cleveland Marathon 2 days- SAG and COMMS  
Members POTA (2 Activations)  
Demo of Mobile Radio program for TX coverage  
Chagrin Falls Blossom Run  
Medina Marathon

D5 DEC-----  
Stark County Currently holding CW training Classes and preparing for upcoming build sessions to share how electronics work. Columbia County had a CERT Comms training where Alpha group had instructions Bravo had Lego pieces and had to use radio to instruct to put the Legos together and instructed them when to change Freq

DELAWARE-----  
LEPC FSE, Skywarn (activation and training), digital exercises, meetings, general radio communications

DISTRICT 8-----  
No activity to report

DISTRICT 9-----  
Continue to have District 9 nets on the Guernsey co repeater of the Cambridge Amateur Radio

Association. Thank you for letting D9 ARES® use the repeater for weekly nets and at other times if needed. ...AA8BN D9 DEC

DISTRICT SIX-----  
Weekly Nets

FRANKLIN COUNTY-----  
Gearing up for future marathons, triathalons, airport drills.

GEAUGA-----  
Blossom Time Run was this month. Went very well, the PD told us that we are - and I quote - "instrumental" to the event being a success.

GUERNSEY COUNTY-----  
Minimal activity this month.

HAMILTON COUNTY-----  
N/A

HOCKING COUNTY-----  
There were four repeater nets and one simplex net.

HURON COUNTY-----  
Normal Ops

JACKSON-----  
N/A

JEFFERSON-----  
EXERCISE: Setup mobile stations for a POTA event then operate. - TRAINING: Message handling training every week on a net, Classroom hands on message handling training and individual training by members. - UNCLASSIFIED: Station Maintenance, ARES Admin Time and Non-ARES Operating by individual members.

KNOX COUNTY-----  
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LAKE-----  
Net

LICKING COUNTY-----  
Our local ARES Net occurs on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Several of our members also participate in ARES and other club nets in surrounding counties. regular traffic nets, local club nets, weekly luncheons and various meetings. We also had a few members participate in Hamvention events and Skywarn Spotter Training this month. We continue to

struggle with encouraging participation and involvement with all ARES members.

Significant time this month was spent on: Hamvention, Tower Replacement Project and Repeater Maintenance.

LORAIN-----

Moving forward to raise the number of members, get new members into ICS provide more training opportunities

LUCAS COUNTY-----

ARES in BRIEF, FLDIGI, TOLEDO AIR SHOW, LUCAS COUNTY SIREN NET, DAVIS BESSE DRILL, NTS TRAFFIC AND TRAINING

MADISON COUNTY-----

None

MAHONING COUNTY-----

2 voice nets, 2 Winlink nets, 2 Skywarn Nets, 1 Club Bootcamp, 1 Club mtg, 4 club nets, 1 ARES Leadership mtg, 1 public service

MARION-----

Monthly MARC meeting this month, and hamvention, ARES meeting was held on a Saturday morning and we pass out PTBs and worked on planning for the HOT TAMALE bike ride in early June. Marion ARES purchased a starlink mini kit to add to our response kit.

MEDINA-----

Monthly Meeting, Monthly Training, Monthly Digital net using FLDigi, Monthly activation to support food bank

MEIGS COUNTY-----

We've been practicing using NBEMS over our local VHF repeater and over simplex.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY-----

Net participation includes voice, digital (FLDIGI) and Winlink Nets. Total of 23.3 person hours. Dayton Skywarn had 1 activation on May 16th. There was 1 Community Service Events that a member participated in, Flying Pig Marathon on 5/4. One member participated in the LEPC Exercise on 5/7.

NOBLE-----

Participated in and passed traffic on OSSBN and Ohio Dist 9 ARES net. Also went to Hamvention.

OTTAWA COUNTY-----

We had two drills this month. First was the Davis Besse graded nuke drill. We staffed the EOC and passed traffic to Lucas County, Kelley's Island, and the Sarge W8SGT. Second was an LEPC drill with the EMA and local fire departments. Support from the EMA is growing!

PAULDING-----

ARES first Monday every month.

PICKAWAY-----

Normal Monday night nets, except Memorial Day.

RICHLAND CO.-----

ARES NET

SANDUSKY-----

1-Hospital Net  
4-Weekly Traffic Nets  
1-Outdoor Siren Net

SCIOTO COUNTY-----

WEEKLY SCIOTO COUNTYARES VOICE NET

SENECA COUNTY-----

SENECA COUNTY ARES NET

SHELBY-----

See Admin comments.

STARK CO-----

Currently Holding CW training Classes and preparing for upcoming build sessions to share how electronics work. Field day prep. Still working on MARC new HQ shack to be Western Stark communications hub as the Stark Co Jail is in the eastern part of the county.

SUMMIT-----

We finished our second installment of a Meshtastic Workshop to make sure everyone who had just purchased or has had a Meshtastic node was configured properly to connect with other nodes in the group. We plan on having a final workshop at our monthly meeting in June because we had a couple of members who didn't receive a node yet.

TUSCARAWAS-----

Monday Nets

WAYNE COUNTY-----

Daily and weekly nets that include conventional analog as well as DMR. We also hold weekly Fldigi Mt63 nets.

WILLIAMS COUNTY OH-----

5/5 8 members, 5/12 6 members, 5/19 8 members, 5/26 6 members

**Administrative and Other Comments:**

ATHENS-----

Field Day at Athens Red Cross station. Athens Gravel challenge July 26 at The Baileys Trailhead. The Baileys trail runs August 9 and 10.

BELMONT COUNTY-----

Planning to do Field Day not much interest at this time

CLARK-----

N/A

CLINTON COUNTY-----

Another slow month.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY OHIO-----

\* Includes Cleveland Marathon and POTA

\*\* Blossum Run and N.Royalton Parade

Total hours for the month - 600

D5 DEC-----

No report from Stark or Carroll counties.

DISTRICT 8-----

Known Field Day activations: Athens County ARA at Athens Red Cross, Sunday Creek Amateur Radio Federation at Burr Oak State Park, Vinton County ARA at Jackson Lake, Hocking Valley ARC at Lake Logan.

GEAUGA-----

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HAMILTON COUNTY-----

N/A

HOCKING COUNTY-----

Regular Meeting, Radio Night, and a Fox Hunt

HURON COUNTY-----

Normal Ops

JACKSON-----

N/A

LAKE-----

N/A

LICKING COUNTY-----

The EC attended Contest University and Hamvention; completed two POTA activations to exercise his ARES skills; completed ARRL OTA FD FT8 Training; NWS Skywarn Training. We had surprise hail storm move through a portion of the county during one of our Severe Weather nets this month.

73 - Alan - N8CJ

LUCAS COUNTY-----

PLANNING, MANAGING, AND REPORTING

MADISON COUNTY-----

None

## MAHONING COUNTY-----

Not sure the difference between public service and community service.

## MEDINA-----

1 Digital net (FLdigi) 4 persons 1 hour 4 total  
 1 Training, 12 hours (monthly training second part of the meeting)  
 1 Emergency Event, FMC, 6 people for 5 hours = 30 hours  
 1 Public Service event: Medina Half Marathon.  
 1 meeting, 12 hours (monthly meeting before the training)

## MEIGS COUNTY-----

A local club has been formed to include radio amateurs, FRS, GMRS and anyone interested in radio communication. One purpose is to encourage gaining a amateur radio license and joining my team in service to Meigs County. This is a social club.

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY-----

No ARES Meeting was held in May due to HamVention.

## OTTAWA COUNTY-----

Working in recruitment.

## RICHLAND CO.-----

BUSY SKYWARN NETS

## SANDUSKY-----

4 hrs. EC admin

## SCIOTO COUNTY-----

ALL ARES EQUIPMENT OPERATING NORMALLY

## SHELBY-----

We are continuing training with the EMA on Damage Assessment Training to support the EMA in the event of disaster. We also logged quite a few hours prepping our units for general emergency response as well as Hamvention.

## STARK CO-----

NA

## SUMMIT-----

N/A

## TUSCARAWAS-----

One Skywarn class was held and one meeting.

## WAYNE COUNTY-----

Held a class that was directed at new hams that provided information on getting started properly. Held a club POTA event that allowed members to operate "in the field."

This report reflects activity of the Silvercreek, and Wayne County groups.

WILLIAMS COUNTY OH-----  
Weather event on 5/16/25 low number participating due to Dayton Ham fest.

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